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BIRTHS.

HAMILTON—February 17, 1926, at Ivanhoe, Lansdowne road, Dublin, the wife of Rev. G. F. Hamilton, The Glebe, Ballingarry, County Limerick, of a daughter.

RODDY—At Nurse Drum's, Vernon avenue, Clontarf, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Roddy, 28 Iona Crescent, Glasnevin, a son.

SCHARFF—February 12, 1926, at Malacca, to Dr. and Mrs. I. W. Scharff, a son.

SCHORMAN—February 17, 1926, at 23 Morehampton terrace, Donnybrook, to Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Schorman (née Gertrude MacCarthy), a daughter.

WHELAN—February 14, 1926, at Jaffna, Ceylon, the wife of Rev. R. H. Whelan, St. John's College, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BOLGER—February 17, 1926, at a Private Nursing Home, Eccles street, Dublin, the Rev. Michael H. Bolger, P.P., Carlow-Graigue. Office and Requiem Mass at Carlow-Graigue this (Friday) morning at 11.30. Funeral immediately afterwards to Killeshin.

DONOVAN—February 18, 1926, at her residence, 4 Sallymount avenue, Miss Maud Donovan, aged 58 years.

ELLIS—February 17, 1926, at his residence, 8 Upper Garville avenue, Rathgar, William Edward Ellis, M.A., LL.D., Barrister-at-Law, in his 73rd year. Funeral private.

ENGLISH—February 17, 1926, at his residence, William street, Tullamore, Thomas English, Merchant, aged 60 years. R.I.P. Office and High Mass at 10.30 this (Friday) morning. Funeral same day at 2 o'clock from Church of the Assumption, Tullamore.

GORE MURPHY—February 17, 1926, at her residence, 27 Leinster square, Rathmines, Marian Teresa, relict of the late Louis P. Murphy. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family and large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral (private) from Church of Our Lady of Refuge, Rathmines, this (Friday) morning, after the 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin Cemetery.

GRIMES—February 18, 1926, at Adelaide Hospital, William Grimes, of Masonic Hall, Dalkey, aged 73 years. Funeral arrangements later.

LAMBE—February 18, 1926, at his residence, 22 Hill street, Newry, Peter Lambe, Wholesale Grocer. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and friends. Funeral from his late residence to-morrow (Saturday) at 3 p.m. for interment in the Old Chapel Cemetery, Newry.

McDONAGH—February 18, 1926, at her residence, 153 Rathmines road, Catherine, widow of the late Peter McDonagh. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from Church of Our Lady of Refuge, Rathmines, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

MARTYN—February 17, 1926, in Dublin, Mary, eldest surviving daughter of the late Gregory Martyn, of Gregans Castle, County Clare. May she rest in peace.

NUGENT—February 18, 1926, at his residence, Jamestown Court, Castletowngeoghegan, Westmeath, Colonel Gilbert L. Nugent, aged 66 years. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday), 20th inst., at 12 noon.

RORKE—February 10, 1926, Samuel, eldest son of James Rorke, Rushin, Mountrath, Ireland. American papers please copy.

RYAN—February 16, 1926, at the residence of her son, Claireville House, Central Hill, Upper Norwood, London, S.E., Ellen Mary, relict of the late Rudolph K. Ryan. R.I.P.

SLEITH—February 18, 1926, at the residence of Mr. Joseph McFarlane, The Mall, Baldoyle, Anna Bella Sleith, aged 94. Funeral private.

STYLES—February 18, 1926, at George's Hall, South Great George's street, suddenly, Annie, beloved wife of John Styles. Deeply mourned. "Be ye also ready." Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) morning to Mount Jerome.

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NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
KATHARINE FLORENCE FETHERSTONHAUGH, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Katharine Florence Fetherstonhaugh, late of Camaderry, Glendalough, in the County of Wicklow, Widow, by her Will, dated the 16th May, 1924, made the following charitable bequests, that is to say:—
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The said Testatrix died on the 24th day of November, 1925, without having altered or revoked said Will, and Probate thereof was granted to John Brian Wynne, of The Cottage, Glendalough, Co. Wicklow, Gentleman, the sole Executor therein named, on the 8th day of February, 1926, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.
Dated 17th day of February, 1926.
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SAORSTAT EIREANN.
PURSUANT to an Order of the High Court of Justice, made in the matter of the estate of Richard Buchanan, Deceased, and in a cause, Cecil Pim against the Attorney-General, the person and persons claiming to be the widow and next-of-kin to the said Richard Buchanan, Deceased, late of Iveagh House, Bride street, Dublin, who died on or about the 2nd May, 1919, are, by their solicitors, on or before the 31st May, 1926, to come in and prove their claims at the Chambers No. 1, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, Dublin, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. The 2nd day of June, 1926, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the said Chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the claims.
Dated this 15th day of February, 1926.
THOMAS W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.
C. J. LAW, Esq., Solicitor for Plaintiff, 60 Dawson street, Dublin.

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And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 26th day of March next the Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims or demands of which Notice shall have been given as before required.
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HIGH Class Confectioner for Café Wanted; plain and fancy work. Apply, with copies references, to E 206, this office. 13 E

WANTED for a City Club, good Cook; good manager; kitchenmaid kept.—E 200, this office. 15 E

WANTED for first class Dublin Hotel, Assistant for Office, dispense, and linen. Apply, with references, stating salary, to "Z 3331, Assistant," this office. 16 F

WANTED, first class Hotel Cook or Chef for city hotel. Apply, giving age, experience, and wages required. Address "Z 3330, Cook," this office. 16 E

WANTED, capable Head Waitress for Hayes' Hotel, Thurles; must have hotel experience and be very well recommended. 17 A

WANTED, Stillroom Maid; must be thoroughly experienced. Apply giving full particulars, E 358, this office. 17 E

WAITRESS Wanted; state experience and wages required. send copies references.—Geary's Hotel, Limerick. 18 A

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

AT Kennedy's Hotel Agency, 68 Sackville street—Good Servants (men, women), all capacities.

BOOTS wishes to hear of vacancy in Hotel, day or night duty; state wages. Address "Z 3383, Boots," this office. 17 E

DISENGAGED February 22—A smart young Waiter, of exceptional appearance, desires situation in hotel or club; well up in all duties.—E 490, this office. 18 B

RESPECTABLE young Girl wishes to be trained as Waitress, in hotel or restaurant; highly recommended.—E 193, this office 15 E

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

REPRESENTATIVE REQUIRED for Irish Free State, excluding West, for the Sale of WHISKEY, WINE and TEA. Will be supplied with motor car, and paid on the basis of salary, commission and expenses. None but first-class man need apply. Address "Z 3373, Representative," this office. 17 F

AGENT, on commission basis, required by competitive House, for the Sale of Dried Fruits, Cereals, Spices, and General Products; only those with established connection with wholesalers need apply. Particulars of age, goods carried, and class of buyers called upon, to Box 60, Pratts, 57 Market street, Manchester. 15 E

AGENT required by well established Firm of Bottle Cork Merchants, with own factories in Spain. One with connection among Bottlers, etc., preferred. Whole or part time, to open up Irish ground. State age, etc., Box N 984, Lee and Nightingale, Liverpool. 17 A

AMERICAN Flour—Agents Wanted, on commission; only men already working other lines regularly. Apply, giving particulars of district worked and references, to E 430, this office. 18 F

DRIED and Canned Fruits—Commission offered to Travellers in other lines; Midlands and West; replies should state ground worked and references.—E 429, this office. 18 F

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LARGE Continental Factors wants to enter into relationship with firm open for taking up the Agency for the Irish Free State for the Sale of Electrical Machinery and Apparatus. Applications, with full particulars, to be sent to E 494, this office.

PROMINENT English Storefitters require experienced Display Fittings Salesman for Ireland; give detailed particulars.—E 385, this office. 17 A

REPRESENTATIVE Wanted for Ireland, by Manufacturer of up to date, most original, and strikingly successful Calendars, Parisian designs. Apply Art-Reclame, Césaire Derias, Lausanne, Switzerland. 17 E

REPRESENTATIVE Wanted by Clothing Manufacturers in Free State, to work on commission; one who has good connection with Drapers in other lines preferred. Address, stating experience and commission required, "Z 3368, Representative," this office. 17 C

THREE smart Representatives required; advertising experience preferred; willing to travel South and West Ireland; good appearance and address essential. References, age (not under 25), and full particulars, to E 127, this office. 15 E

WANTED, City Traveller, to Sell Wines and Spirits on salary and commission; good terms to man with live connection amongst the licensed traders. Address "Z 3334, Man," this office. 16 E

WHOLESALE House in city requires Traveller for Hardware and Holloware; wage and commission. Apply E 418, this office. 18 F

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CORK City Solicitor requires experienced Clerk; all classes of business.—1348, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 15 E

JUNIOR Clerk Wanted by City Solicitors. Reply, with copies testimonials, stating experience and salary expected, to E 310, this office. 17 E

SOLICITOR, thoroughly experienced, for some years past engaged with leading Dublin Firm, desires Partnership or Assistantship in good Dublin office.—E 388, this office. 17 E

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

TYRONE COUNTY HOSPITAL, OMAGH.

The Committee of the above Hospital require the services of a Resident House Surgeon, at a salary of £150 per annum, with board and residence. Candidates are requested to send their qualifications and testimonials to T. J. McAdam, Registrar, on or before Thursday, 11th March, 1926. 18 F

APPRENTICE required in good class Pharmacy, near Dublin; fee required (outdoor).—E 433, this office. 18 B

APPRENTICE to Pharmaceutical Chemist Wanted, Southern town; indoor, comfortable home and reasonable terms to suitable young man. Address "Z 3406, Apprentice," this office. 18 A

CHEMIST'S Assistant, qualified, seeks position six weeks (indoor); services free; city or suburbs.—Donovan, Grouse Lodge, Ardagh, County Limerick. 17 E

EXPERIENCED Assistant disengaged; city and provincial experience; excellent references. Address "Z 3287, Assistant," this office. 15 E

EDUCATED young Man seeks Apprenticeship to Pharmacy; indoor preferable; Prelim. Address "Z 3352, Man," this office. 16 A

IMPROVER, two years' experience, seeks position (indoor); nominal salary; excellent testimonials; good dispenser and counter hand. Address "Z 3427, Improver," this office.

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MENTAL Nurse required, young, M.P.A. certificate; state salary and experience.—E 339, this office. 16 F

PROTESTANT Maid Attendant, disengaged; kind, attentive; help housework; recommended.—E 456, this office.

RESPECTABLE Woman would care invalid, night or day; some experience; well recommended.—E 316, this office. 17 E

WANTED immediately, Junior Assistant and Apprentice for Medical Hall, large provincial town. Address "Z 3337, Assistant," this office. 16 E

WANTED immediately, capable, qualified Chemist's Assistant; send copies testimonials and state salary, experience, age, etc.—E 415, this office. 18 F

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims., Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, 5 Gardiner's Row. T

ARITHMETIC, Bookkeeping Taught by Correspondence. Terms apply Accountant, E 269, this office. 16 F

GERMAN Lessons given, Conversation and Correspondence; experienced gentleman.—3 Walworth terrace, S.C. road. 18 B

MADAME Bois, 85 Grafton st., invites applications for Governesses (resident, daily), Nurses, H'keepers. 6 X

MAKING a Down Quilt—Two quick and easy methods are given by Molly Bawn in the Women's Page of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence, at all Newsagents. 16 F

PIANOFORTE—Certificated Teacher, disengaged, requires post in School.—E 116, this office. 15 E

QUALIFIED Teacher, would give lessons in all school subjects, including Irish; evenings.—E 479, this office.

RADIO Notes and Suggestions for the Amateur Constructor appear in the Wireless Page of the "Weekly Irish Times." On Sale To-day, price Twopence. 16 F

SHORTHAND Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount street. 'Phone 3085. T

SHORTHAND, Typewriting—Personal Tuitions. Fees from 10/- monthly.—Murphy, 16 Appian Way. 12 10

WILSON'S Hospital, Multyfarnham—The Governors offer four Scholarships with free board and tuition, at above school for Boys over 10 and under 11 years of age on August 1st, 1926, should sufficient merit be shown. Examination to be held in June. Particulars will be supplied on application to the Warden. 15 F

WRITING English—All Students should see the Special Article by Erasmus in the Students Page of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. At all Newsagents. 16 F

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED.

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton street, Dublin. Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

NATIONAL Teacher Wanted for Calverstown, Co. Kildare; 30 on roll; local aid £20; house on 2 acres; musical.—Rev. Byrn, Curnalway, Kilcullen.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE Girl wishes to hear of vacancy in Confectionery Shop or Restaurant, city or suburbs; good at cakes, excellent pastry; full particulars.—E 330, this office. 16 F

ACCOUNTANTS—Educated young man, excellent commercial and accountancy experience, desires Position auditor's office; good business connections; can introduce additional practice; fluent Irish speaker. E 331, this office. 16 F

ALL round Dressmaker, Loose Covers, seeks daily sewing.—E 489, this office.

BAKERY Manager, keen, energetic, hard worker, open for engagement (from 40 to 1,000 sacks) capable of controlling staff and everything connected with the business; accept offers any town United Kingdom; testimonials very highest. Address "Z 3203, Manager," this office. 8 12

DISENGAGED, Grocer's Assistant; good references. Address M. Nugent, Kilfane, Thomastown, County Kilkenny. 15 E

DRESSMAKER, 4 years' experience, wants post, Assistant or Sewingmaid.—Bureau, Edenderry. 18 F

EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist, Office Assistant, desires city vacancy; thoroughly competent; excellent references.—E 126, this office. 15 E

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LADY desires position as Housekeeper to gentleman; comfortable home preferable to large salary.—E 219, this office. 15 E

LADY wishes post, Companion or Useful Help; knowledge plain cooking; daily or occasionally.—1355, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 16 F

LADY Help, good experience (daily), Kingstown or Dalkey.—E 486, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

MOST respectable Lady would Caretake House or Flat.—E 356, this office. 17 A

NON Union Man wishes to hear of vacancy, Grocery and Provisions, wholesale or retail (outdoor); Dublin or suburbs; can drive Ford.—E 368, this office. 17 A

POST Office Clerk, experienced all counter and sounder work, seeks vacancy, city Office; good reference. Reply E 128, this office. 15 E

REFINED young Lady would go as Receptionist in doctor's house or solicitor's office; outdoor.—E 348, this office. 17 E

RESPECTABLE Boy, 16, wishes to serve Apprenticeship to Motor, Electric, or any trade; can give any references required.—E 447, this office. 18 F

SEXTON or Caretaker requires situation; married man, three children (school age); six years' good reference as Sexton. Address "Z 3381, Sexton," this office. 17 E

WELL educated Youth desires position in Office; highest references.—E 210, this office. 15 F

YOUTH, just about to leave school, desires position in office; age 15 years.—E 111, this office. 14 F

YOUNG Lady (I.C.) wishes to go as Daily Help; good references.—E 407, this office.

YOUNG Swiss Gentlewoman desires position as Companion to young girls; French, German, needlework, etc.; highest references; small salary required.—Box 423, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 18 F

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

FAMILY Wanted (Protestant); live in; plain gardening, cooking, and housework. Send particulars Rev. Rector, Combeflorey, Taunton. 18 B

FIRST class Footman Wanted. Apply by letter to the Butler, Kilruddery, Bray. 18 F

GENERAL Man Wanted, take charge poultry, two cows, and usual general work. Address "Z 3375, Man," this office.

HERD Yardman, competent; Protestant; no reply unless particulars given.—E 406, this office.

WANTED, General Man, good milker; care horses, cows, pigs; plain gardening; wages £20 (indoor); send references.—Canon McCheane, Freshford, Kilkenny. 15 E

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

A CAPABLE, energetic Steward is required for a Home Farm in South of Ireland. Address, stating salary required, to "Z 3370, Steward," this office. 17 F

GARDENER—Wanted, strong, active Protestant Man, with some knowledge of work under glass and vegetable growing; state wage with bothy. Address "Z 3393, Man," this office. 17 E

GARDENER Wanted for Greystones, two days weekly, three days during summer months. State qualifications and wages expected to E 465, this office. 18 B

GARDENER Wanted, Sandycove; experienced flowers, vegetables; willing, obliging. Address "Z 3407, Gardener," this office. 18 A

PROTESTANT Gardener Wanted, experienced in all branches, country place. Reply, sending all particulars, "Z 3286, Gardener," this office. 17 A

WANTED, an experienced Working Gardener for Co. Sligo. Apply with references. Address "Z 3282, Gardener," this office. 15 E

WANTED, Under Gardener, Lady, for large market garden; undertake sales.—Tighe, Ballinapark, Bathnew, Wicklow. 18 B

WANTED, a Man who understands Seeds and Plants; security and references.—E 492, this office.

WANTED, active Pensioner, to work in garden; free house, wood firing, grass of cow, and ten shillings weekly. Address "Z 3423, Pensioner," this office. 18 F

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

AS Butler Valet or Indoor Servant—Young Man, thoroughly experienced, highly recommended, three years' personal servant to a British officer, disengaged.—E 385, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 17 A

EXPERIENCED Herd wishes situation, 1st May; highly recommended.—E 261, this office. 16 F

GENERAL Indoor Man, Protestant, single; drive motor, valet.—E 405, this office.

HERD Dairyman, 2 years present place; wife dairy; well recommended. Address "Z 3312, Herd," this office. 15 F

PLOUGHMAN, understands all farm machinery, with Son; can milk, etc. Apply A. Ellis, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow.

RABBIT Trapper open for engagement, with or without gear; well recommended. Apply Trapper, Dawdstown, Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath. 18 B

YOUNG General Man seeks situation, plain gardening, all farm work; Wife mind gate lodge; highly recommended. Address "Z 3382, General Man," this office. 17 A

YOUNG Manservant, 20, train as Butler, Porter; P.P.'s reference. Address "Z 3424, Man," this office.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED Working Gardener, single, wishes to hear of vacancy; willing and obliging; highest references. Apply Burke, Monalow, Cabinteely. 15 E

EXPERIENCED Plain Gardener and General; good milker; married; R.C.—T. Lavelle, Shannon Grove, Banagher. 18 B

GARDENER, single, Protestant, wishes situation; indoor; milk, if required.—E 204, this office. 15 E

GARDENER, handy man; understands all farm work; good vegetable grower; milk; can do all class of repairs; highly recommended.—E 434, this office. 18 B

GARDENER, single, wishes situation; can be highly recommended. Address Byrne, Green road Cottage, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow. 18 F

WORKING Gardener, excellent reference; all branches, market, etc.—No. 1942, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 15 E

DOMESTICS WANTED.

GIRL Wanted, general Housework; good references required. Apply 22 Lower Camden street.

RESPECTABLE Working Housekeeper Wanted for Bank House, Midlands; settled person; good cook; family two. Address "Z 3357, Housekeeper," this office. 17 A

WANTED, Charwoman, Mondays or Tuesdays, small house, Harold's Cross.—E 377, this office. 17 E

WANTED, Maid, one lady, country; willing to be useful; very good dressmaker essential; some experience preferred; full particulars. Address "Z 3390, Maid," this office. 17 A

WANTED, country Girl for Rathgar; another maid kept; must be clean.—R O 426, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 18 B

YOUNG Girl Wanted, few days weekly. Call, after 5 o'clock, 2 Sandford avenue, Donnybrook. 18 F

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

COOK General Wanted, Palmerston Park district; must be good cook, active; state wages expected; wanted immediately.—E 476, this office. 18 B

FOR Gentleman's House in England—Working Cook Housekeeper Wanted; 3 servants kept; family 4. State age, wages, and send copies discharges. Address "Z 3320, Housekeeper," this office. 16 F

GOOD Cook General, family two; well recommended; small washing; Herbert street; country girl preferred; send copies, age, wages.—E 475, this office. 18 B

TWO Maids for country, near Dublin; sisters or friends; one must be good cook general and house parlourmaid; Protestants preferred. Reply, stating experience and wages expected, E 432, this office. 18 F

WANTED for Greystones, experienced Cook General; good wages given. Send particulars, experience, F 375, this office. 17 A

WANTED, early March, Cook General and House Parlourmaid (friends); good Catholic house; no washing; excellent wages. Apply Mrs. Creagh, Glen Parva Barracks, Leicester, England. 17 A

WANTED, March 1st, Protestant Cook General; family five; washing.—Raheny Rectory. 18 B

WANTED, experienced young Cook, small family, Pembroke district; wages £36-£38.—E 477, this office.

WANTED, experienced Cook General, capable of housekeeping, for gentleman's country place; two in family; small dairy and fowl (house use); house parlourmaid kept; wages £30 to £40. Send copies, stating age, to Box 1115, Eason's Advertising Service, Dublin. 18 B

WANTED, Cook, understanding dairy; kitchenmaid kept; wages £30. Reply Colonel Fetherstonhaugh, Rockview, Killucan. 18 F

GENERALS WANTED.

CAN a Lady recommend a strong, reliable young Girl as General for March 1st or earlier? capable cook; five in family; nurse housemaid kept; wages starting £26 to £30, and travelling expenses; copies of references will be returned. Address Lady Henry, Craig Vera, Portrush.

EXPERIENCED General Wanted; good reference; family three; good wages.—29 Grosvenor square. Apply 3 p.m. 16 F

EXPERIENCED General, small washing. Call after 10, 4 St. Kevin's Park, Dartry road. 17 A

EXPERIENCED young General; two in family; excellent references essential. Call 6-8 p.m., 27 Mespil road (Pembroke).

GENERAL Wanted; settled person, experienced; plain cooking, washing (three in family); good wages; good reference essential. Apply Clarke, Leopardstown House, Foxrock.

GENERAL Maid Wanted for Holywood, Co. Down; small family; liberal outings; wages £36. Address Box No. 437, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 16 F

GOOD situation in London vacant for experienced General, with exceptional references. State wages expected to Box O 481, Irish Times, 59 Fleet street, London, E.C.4. 17 A

GENERAL Wanted; must be good cook and laundress; nurse housemaid kept. Call after seven o'clock, 58 Marlborough road, Donnybrook. 17 A

GENERAL Wanted, small family; washing.—7.30, 23 York road, Rathmines.

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DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

SUPERIOR young General Wanted, small house and family; good plain cook and washer; must be well recommended. Call 25 Casimir road, after 7 o'clock. 17 E

STRONG young General Wanted immediately; good home; good wages.—"Glickville," 68 Upper Kenilworth Park, Harold's Cross. 17 B

SMART young General required; well recommended.—44 Brighton road, Rathgar, after 1 o'clock.

WANTED, General Servant (indoor). Call after 5 o'clock, 20 York road, Rathmines. 16 E

WANTED, a reliable General, accustomed to children.—13 Wellpark avenue, Upper Drumcondra. 17 E

WANTED, young General. Apply after 7 o'clock, evening, 31 Villiers road, Rathgar.

WANTED, young General; small family; references required.—83 Iona road.

WANTED for Ranelagh district, Protestant General or Girl as Useful Help, daily or indoor.—E 412 this office.

YOUNG Girl, about 18, Wanted to train as General; comfortable home. Address "Z 3363, Girl," this office. 17 A

YOUNG General required; must be well recommended; three in family; state wages, enclose copies.—E 487, this office.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

HOUSE Parlourmaid Wanted March 1st for modern house; every convenience; cook general, chauffeur, nursery maid and nurse kept; good wages; good references required; fare paid.—Beech Hurst, Castle road, Weybridge, England. 17 F

PARLOURMAID, or House Parlourmaid Wanted; experienced; Irish R.C. servants kept; good wages; fare paid. Write, stating age, enclosing discharges, Mrs. Hood, Buckhill, Calne, Wilts, England. 15 E

WANTED, young Housemaid, R.C.; needlewoman. Reply Mrs. O'N Donnellon, Windsor, Monkstown. 15 E

WANTED at once, Parlourmaid, Protestant. Apply, stating age, wages expected, and references, Mrs. Irvine, Killadeas, Fermanagh. 16 F

WANTED, Housemaid, experienced, needlewoman; three in family; four maids. Send references, age, wages.—Crofton, Ashford, Wicklow. 16 F

WANTED, House Parlourmaid, young, experienced, R.C., Ailesbury road.—E 466, this office. 18 F

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS and ATTENDANTS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton street, Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel. No. 5258. T

REQUIRED, Nurse Housemaid, three children (5 and 9); must be fond of children and trustworthy; Ballsbridge.—E 444, this office. 18 F

WANTED, first week in March, a young, experienced Nurse for infant and to assist with little boy of 6 (going to school); must be highly recommended. Please send references, stating age and wages expected to Mrs. G. A. Overend, 16 Herbert Park, Dublin. 15 E

WANTED, for Merrion road, Protestant Nurse; young.—E 381, this office. 17 A

WANTED, March 1st, thoroughly reliable Children's Nurse; must be well recommended; three children; help given; good wages. Send copies of testimonials to Mrs. P. Smiles, 7 Deramore Drive, Belfast. 18 X

WANTED, end of month, Nurse, R.C.; must be capable and trustworthy; baby aged 1 year; state age, wages, enclose copies.—E 480, this office.

WANTED for Easter, competent Nurse, about forty, to take sole charge of two children, 12 months and 2 months respectively; personal references necessary. Apply Mrs. Eamonn O'Neill, Knockduff, Kinsale. 18 A

WANTED immediately, superior young Nurse (R.C.), entire charge baby, one year and half, help with grown children; good references essential; wages £28-£30.—E 417, this office.

KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, ETC., WANTED.

FOR Irish Lady in England—Experienced Kitchenmaid, able to cook, required; wages £30 to £36. State age and religion, and references, Mrs. T. B., Red House, Sherborne, Dorset. 16 F

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

NURSES, Generals, Cook General, House Parlourmaids disengaged. Apply 55 Moyne road, Rathmines. 18 F

WORKING Housekeeper, has long discharges; business house; highly recommended.—E 462, this office.

WORKING Housekeeper, good cook, laundress, to lady or gentleman.—E 425, this office.

YOUNG Girl, disengaged 26th, wants Daily work, or would go Kitchen or Between Maid, hotel or private.—E 345, this office. 17 E

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS DISENGAGED.

COOK General—Respectable Girl, good plain Cook in small private family; can be highly recommended, suburbs preferred.—E 203, this office. 15 E

COOK General wants comfortable situation where second maid kept; good cook; good references; city or suburbs.—E 452, this office.

COOK General, good cook, small family, town, country; recommended.—E 423, this office.

COOK General, good cook, business or boarding house; recommended.—E 426, this office.

COOK General, good plain cook, city; highly recommended.—E 424, this office.

COOK General disengaged; can be well recommended. R O 425, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 18 F

GOOD plain Cook General wishes situation in small family; disengaged shortly; wages £30. Apply M. Reilly, Velore, Greystones. 17 E

GOOD Cook General, disengaged end week; highly recommended. Replies sent to Miss Walker, 6 Leeson Park.

TWO Friends wish situations together as Cook General and House Parlourmaid; highly recommended.—20 Upper Merrion street. 15 E

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MESSRS. R. AND J. WILKINSON.

There was a good attendance of buyers for store cattle and the demand was keen for all nice-quality stock. The bulk of entries were of a smaller description than usual, but appeared to be just what buyers required. A.A. crosses sold at £20 (48/6), £17 5/- (51/-), £14 7/6 (46/-), £15 (46/-), etc.; polled bullocks realised £20 10/- (43/-), £19 2/6 (43/-), £18 15/- (45/6), £17 5/- (45/-), £16 10/- (43/-); horned bullocks at £21 10/- were 41/6, £19 17/6 (42/6), £19 (44/6), £18 (40/-), £16 10/- (43/-); and heifers £18 15/- (48/-), £18 2/6 (47/6), £15 15/- (44/-).

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We are now selling the lot in our Sports Dept. at a reduction of 33⅓ per cent.

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21/- FOOTBALLS	14/-	6/- HURLEYS	4/-
		12/6 LEGGINGS	8/4

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DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT

A GAS EXPLOSION.

RULING IN FAVOUR OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

(BEFORE JUDGE PIGOT, K.C.)

The hearing was resumed of the actions brought against the Dublin Borough Commissioners, acting for the Corporation, by Mrs. Anne Hayden, 49 Lennox street, for £300 damages for personal injuries and damage to property; by John O'Brien and Mary O'Brien, 42 Lennox street, for injuries to property and person, and by Mrs. Christina Turley, 45 Lennox street, for £50, damage to property and loss of trade. All the claims were brought in connection with a gas explosion on the 7th September last through the breaking of a gas pipe in Warren street, which, it was alleged, was caused by a steam roller which was being operated by servants of the Corporation.

Mr. W. J. Gleeson (instructed by Mr. A. Lane Joynt, solicitor) appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. A. E. Wood, K.C., and Mr. P. O'C. White (instructed by Mr. T. F. Burke, solicitor) for the Dublin Corporation.

Judge Pigot, having referred to cases cited to him by counsel and to the facts, said that he held that there was no liability on the Borough Commissioners in respect of the alleged damage. It was a most regrettable thing that people living in their city, who were dependent upon gas supplied by that great company whose pipes ran to every corner of the city, should be in danger of such a thing occurring as happened in this case, where, from a main more than fifty feet away, there was an escape of gas, causing an explosion which did serious damage.

He would dismiss the cases. Should he be wrong in point of law, he might mention that, if he had found that there was liability, he would have assessed damages as follows:—In the case of Hayden, £140; in the O'Brien case, £110. In the Turley case he would have given only nominal damages, because the liability would be in respect of what was not proved to be of monetary value.

MOTOR-AMBULANCE COLLISION.

ACTIONS AGAINST BOTH PARTIES

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All the cases were heard together.

Frank Clarke gave evidence that he was employed by Mr. Weir, and was driving his motor delivery van on the 29th July. When near Rathgar avenue he slowed down to six miles an hour and sounded his horn. A policeman standing at the corner of Terenure road gave him the signal to proceed. As he was crossing the road the Rathmines Urban Council ambulance drove into him, and he and his companion (a man named Egan) were thrown out on the roadway. The van was smashed and the goods were scattered about the road.

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Mr. Mooney—My clients are very poor people, my lord.

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4.45—Orchestra, Talk, and Songs. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Orchestra. 7.40—Elementary French Talk. 8.0—Light Classics. The Station Orchestra, Sydney Northcote (tenor). 8.45—Requested items. The Orchestra. Sydney Northcote. 10.0-11.0—From London.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—386 Metres.
11.30-12.0—Organ Recital by Arthur Marston. 3.45—Talk, Orchestra. 5.0—Music. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Music. 6.53—From London. 7.40—"Esprit de Corps," by Vice-Admiral W. H. D'Oyly. 8.0—From London. 9.0—"Listening Time." 10.0-11.0—From London.

CARDIFF (5WA)—353 Metres.
3.0-3.15—Gramophone Records. 3.45—The Station Trio. 4.15—Light Music. 5.0—"Five O'Clocks." 5.30—Children. 6.15—For Young Adventurers. 6.30—From London. 7.40—Professor Ernest Hughes, M.A.—"Wales—(3) Education and Its Institutions" (from Swansea). 8.0—Bright British Music. The Station Orchestra. Toni Farrell (solo pianoforte), Herbert Heyner (vocalist). 9.30-11.0—From London.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—378 Metres.
1.15-2.0—Music. 3.45—The Station Quartet. 4.0—Dog Stories. 4.15—Concert. 5.15—Children. 6.0—The Majestic "Celebrity" Orchestra. 6.53—From London. 7.40—Dr. R. H. Thouless, M.A., Ph.D.: "Our Minds and How to Control Them—(7) Remembering and Forgetting." 8.0—A Coleridge-Taylor Programme. The Station Orchestra. Harry Hopewell (baritone). 8.40—The London Radio Repertory Players, in the comedy, "Devoted Elsie." 9.0—"Listening Time." 10.0—From London. 10.30—Ronald Gourley, in music and humour. 11.0—Close down.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—404 Metres.
4.0—Talk. 4.15—Light Music. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Variety. 6.53—From London. 7.40—Mr. Eric Barber, B.A.: "The Goldsmith Touch." 8.0—Works by Norman O'Neill. The Station Orchestra. 8.30—The Funbeams Concert Party. 9.30—From London. 10.30-11.0—Another Station.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.
4.0—Topics. 4.15—The Station Pianoforte Quartet and Abe Lewis (bass). 5.15—Children. 6.0—From Manchester. 6.53—From London. 8.0—An Hour in the Open Country. The Augmented Station Orchestra. 8.10—Walter Hatton (solo 'cello). George Hill (baritone). The Liverpool Station Male Voice Chorus. 9.0—A Light Symphony Hour. The Orchestra, Walter Hatton, George Hill. 10.0-11.0—From London.

GLASGOW (5SC)—422 Metres.
11.30-12.30—Mid-day Transmission. 3.25—Travel Talk. 3.35—French Talk. 3.45—The Wireless Quartet. Netta L. Reid (soprano). 5.0—Mrs. Christie: "Housekeeping in the Australian Bush—Home Life." 5.15—Children. 6.0-6.2—Weather for Farmers. 6.15—From London. 6.30—Professor W. G. R. Paterson: "Agriculture." 6.45—From London. 7.40—Mr. Vernon Constable, A.R.I.B.A.: "The Story of Architecture—Our Debt to the Romans." 8.0—Variety. 9.30-12.0—From London.

ENTERTAINMENTS TAX.

ACTION OF CORK THEATRE AND CINEMA OWNERS.

A meeting of representatives of theatrical and cinematograph interests in Munster took place at the Victoria Hotel, Cork, yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of forming an association, and considering the present position of the industry in regard to the entertainment tax. Mr. B. M. Pan, Colliseum, Cork, presided.

It was announced that the following objections were made to the imposition of the tax:—That the present average rate of 20 per cent. on gross turnover, before payment of any liability, is too high; that there are many instances of houses of entertainment showing weekly loss, and paying considerably more than the amount of that loss in entertainment duty; that consequently the capital invested does not reap its due; that admission prices have not increased in ratio with cost of living, but that the proprietors are bearing the entire burden; that there is no justification for the exemption from the tax of certain forms of amusement, such as is the case in regard to dancing, whist drives, games, etc.; that the tax is imposed upon a specified industry, which is also paying every other tax common to other commercial enterprises.

It was agreed, pending the next meeting, that a sub-committee should prepare a scheme, and consult with the Dublin Association with a view to general action on the question, and also that Mr. M. Egan, T.D., and Mr. A. O'Shaughnessy, T.D., should receive a deputation on the subject.

Books of the Week.

THE MODERN STAGE.

DRAMATIC CRITICISM AND SOME NEW PLAYS.

From the earliest times drama has been associated with religion. Classical drama began as a ritual performance of myths which had a moral significance, and modern drama began with the mystery plays. It is difficult to trace either moral or dogmatic teaching in theatrical entertainments of our times, but there are dramatists still who use the stage, so to speak, as a pulpit. May we not say that all serious art comes close to religion, but serious dramatic art closest, by reason of its congregational appeal, and its interest in large themes? The song-writer may be sad or merry, amorous or warlike; but the dramatist must be familiar with every humour of the soul; he must understand—and pity—the base as well as the noble; he must view humanity as from some serene height, himself unmoved.

Mr. Ramsden Balmforth surveys Job, Æschylus, the author of "Everyman," Shakespeare, Goethe, Shelley, Ibsen, Shaw, Galsworthy and Hardy, and seeks to trace in these—as typical moral dramatists—the evolution of ethical thought as revealed in the drama. He approves of Dr. Wicksteed's saying that "the Devil has no stauncher ally than want of perception," and seeks to demonstrate that the drama is the engine with which the spirit of man has sought to overcome this shortcoming. Mr. Balmforth is best in his chapters on modern writers, and his book is stimulating if it be read as a *causerie* rather than as a serious or scholarly historical study. To couple Shakespeare and Shaw is, after all, hardly criticism by classical standards.

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In that excellent series, Contemporary British Dramatists, the reader can observe the trend of the dramatic art of our days. Four volumes give us as many plays by Mr. H. M. Harwood. The most successful of this playwright's works is "The Grain of Mustard Seed," which was staged first at the Ambassadors' Theatre, London, in 1920. Its merits are wit in dialogue and craftsmanlike construction; but the plot is almost identical with that of Mr. Miles Malleson's "Conflict," and there is the same unsavoury revelation regarding the heroine in the last scene. Although some have a vein of Shavian humour, in other days every one of Mr. Harwood's plays would be considered unpleasant.

Mr. Gerald Bullett's comedy, "Mr. Godly Beside Himself," another volume in the same series, is dramatised from the author's novel of the same name. It is a brightly imaginative piece of work, showing us the adventures of a *bourgeois* soul in fairyland. It would be hard to stage, and the narrative grows obscure sometimes on account of the technical difficulties of the dramatic form; but the scene in which the fairy "double," Godelik, visits Mr. Godly's office and deals with his business correspondence, is a piece of exuberant fun that refreshes and delights. The five plays grouped in the volume "The Mulligatawny Medallion," are unequal, but "The Wonderful Son," with its almost tragic treatment of suburban pettiness, is memorable. Barrington Gates has the gift, rare among contemporary playwrights, of style in diction, giving intensity to the dialogue and richness to the emotion; but these plays are only studies for better work.

"The Firebrand" was produced last week at Wyndham's Theatre, London. Its leading character is Benvenuto Cellini. It is cynical and salacious. In "Trifles" we have seven little plays in an American setting. "Woman's Honor" (*sic*) is, perhaps, the best—a piece of broad satire on Yankee sentiment. "Suppressed Desires" is a satisfying burlesque of the psycho-analytic jargon of our times.

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In "The Machine-Wreckers," a German drama of the English Luddites, translated in fine rhythmical English by Mr. Ashley Dukes, we have a really serious piece of dramatic writing. The author seems to have been influenced by "The Dynasts"; for he draws the House of Lords and England during the Luddite disturbances as if for some large Greek stage, with vast sweeps of language and immensity of image. This powerful work was first published in translation three years ago, and it ranks already as a classic of modern drama. It has the swiftness of motion, the vividness of spectacle, attained in German and Russian drama since the war, but not yet visible in English plays.

Mr. Terence Gray, with his "Cuchulainn," sets out to bring the English-speaking stage up to date, but we cannot feel that he has succeeded. He takes three passages in the Red Branch saga and turns them into "expressionist" plays. His Gaelic scholarship is admirable—his work is a reproof in this respect to the vague guess-work which passes muster in some of our elder playwrights, who treat Irish names and words in a barbarous fashion that they would not dare to apply to Russian, Arabic or Chinese equivalents. On the other hand, Mr. Gray takes violent liberties with his themes, and exposes the heroes and fair women of the Red Branch as figments of the same modern imagination that gives us "The Firebrand."

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In "The Savoy Operas" we have one text of Gilbert's lively little masterpieces. Very pleasant it is to turn from the laxity of most of the plays which we have considered to these graceful trifles—sweet, airy, shapely and satisfying. If we cannot have solemn themes treated gravely—if our playwrights even contemplate sin only to mock virtue—let us turn altogether from serious drama and go listen to the pleasant and cheering melodies of "The Yeomen of the Guard."

A beautiful edition of Shakespeare has been edited by Mr. Charles Whibley, whose introductions to the histories, comedies and tragedies respectively enrich the volumes. Of the histories, Mr. Whibley writes—"We may read his histories to-day not only for the poetry which expresses them, not only for the generous understanding which they display of men's strength and men's weaknesses, but also for their political thought, which, were it followed, might well save 'our sea wall'd garden' from the miseries which threaten it." The greatest of Shakespeare's tragedies were penned in his later years. Unlike the tragedies of Greece they were not inevitable. The value of these volumes is enhanced by a series of engravings. The text, which is clearly printed, has been taken from the Globe Shakespeare, and the volumes are well bound.

"The Ethical and Religious Value of the Drama." By Ramsden Balmforth. London: Allen and Unwin. 7/6 net.
"Please Help Emily." "The Supplanters." "The Grain of Mustard Seed." "The Pelican." By H. M. Harwood. (The last in collaboration with Tennyson Jesse). "Mr. Godly Beside Himself." By Gerald Bullett. "The Mulligatawny Medallion." By Barrington Gates. [Contemporary British Dramatists.] London: Benn. 3/6 net apiece.
"The Firebrand." By Edwin Justus Mayer. "Trifles." By Susan Glaspell. "The Machine-Wreckers." By Ernst Toller. London: Benn. 6/-, 7/6 and 1/6 net, respectively.
"Cuchulainn." By Terence Gray. Cambridge: Heffer. 12/6 net.
"The Savoy Operas." By W. S. Gilbert. London: Macmillan. 8/6 net.
"The Works of Shakespeare: Chronologically Arranged." Three Vols. Introductions by Charles Whibley. London: Macmillan. 7/6 net per volume.

TRAMORE'S NEW HALLS.

The splendid theatre and concert hall and the Sierra Leone Exhibition Hall, which were so much admired by visitors to Wembley, have been purchased by Mr. John M'Gurk, on behalf of the newly-formed Tramore Amusements Company, and will be erected at Tramore, County Waterford. The buildings are constructed on steel framework, with uprights and girders. The Tramore Amusements Company desires to give its town a foremost place among Irish seaside resorts, and it is evident that, with these fine halls at its disposal, it will be in a position to provide fit entertainment for all tourists and other visitors.

SOME TRAVEL BOOKS.

JOURNEYS IN AFRICA AND THE ARGENTINE.

Few realise how large and how little explored is Abyssinia, or what an interesting field of research into the civilisation of the ancient past it affords. For some time before the summer of 1922 it had been rumoured that a new species of animal, the Walia ibex, which is quite distinct from its nearest relation, the Nubian ibex, was to be found on the huge cliffs which form the Northern face of Simen, that great mountain mass which lies some 100 miles south of the Eritrean frontier. In order to test these stories Major H. C. Maydon and a fellow sportsman set out to explore this mountain system, and to procure, if possible, some specimens of the fabled ibex.

The narrative of this journey is not only of great sporting and scientific interest, but it gives as well a fascinating account of one of the most romantic countries in the world. Here the feudal system reigns supreme, and each little local chief has to be dealt with as an entirely separate entity from his next-door neighbour.

The greatest drawback to Abyssinian travel lies in the complete lack of a standard currency. That each petty area should assert its independence by the use of a distinctive "barter-token" of its own would be troublesome enough, but when the "small" coinage that has to be carried for use in distant places must consist of such imponderable items as two-pound bars of salt, iron rods, and seasoned wood, the problem of transport becomes as bewildering as that of barter.

However, to our hardy sportsmen such little difficulties only added to the interest and novelty of the trip which, in spite of every obstacle so lavishly laid in their paths by both man and Nature, was carried to a very successful conclusion. Six specimens of the Walia were obtained and a mass of interesting details which have not yet been properly digested, and which relate to an ancient and forgotten civilisation of about the time of the Queen of Sheba were brought home.

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An imagination coupled with a strong sense of humour gives us, in "An Amateur in Africa," a narrative which is as delightful to read as it is instructive. The author, an experienced hunter of big game, begins his journey from Capetown to Cairo in an old motor car which, however, is only of use for a few hundred miles. Thereafter progression is on foot. Adventures with wild beasts are related, all of which, thanks to a good rifle in courageous hands, end favourably for Mr. Reid. The great lakes of Tanganika territory are described at some length, and, all unknowing, the reader learns about the little known locations of Africa and the wild life of the rivers, forests and vast spaces of that immense continent. The awe and wonder created in the description of the Zambesi River and the Victoria Falls show the author at his best, and are heightened by some striking photographs.

Travelling in Africa, accompanied only by natives who act as bearers and porters, Mr. Reid devotes part of his story to the problems affecting the coloured people. He sums up the future Christian Churches in Africa thus:—

The only hope for Christianity in Africa is for missionaries of every kind to pull together and, quite apart from the purely religious standpoint, it is essential that they should do so. There is a political side to it all; for an entirely Mahommedan Africa would give a new and unpleasant twist to the course of history, and not least of the good done by missionaries is that, in spite of bickerings and sectional quarrels, they have to some extent held back the rising tide of Islam.

This book will, as the author hopes in his foreword, help to while away an idle hour, and an education in natural science is not needed to enjoy it.

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Miss L. E. Elliott's latest volume is a very interesting and comprehensive account of the Argentine Republic—its people and history, pampas, wheat country, cattle country, industry and railway system, and its beautiful capital city. The great plains of the Argentine form the most enormous storehouse of solid food the world has ever seen; for each inhabitant the country produces a ton of cereals a year and over two head of cattle. This development is not due to chance or good luck, but to the grit and imagination of the early pioneers, especially the Scots from the Falkland Islands, who first took sheep from the Pampa Central and drove them to Santa Cruz, the journey taking two years.

Buenos Ayres is one of the hardest-working cities in the American Continent, and, contrary to popular opinion, has no night-life. All-night casinos are prohibited by the municipality, and "the rich young man who wants a life of gaiety only takes a ticket to Paris." Strangely enough, the cost of living in Buenos Ayres is high, and the products of the country are very dear. Miss Elliott was chiefly struck in the capital by "the exhilarating sense of incessant advance."

"It was the extraordinary luck of modern commercial Argentina," she says, "to remain untouched and practically unoccupied until the very moment when transport and industrial implements had been mechanized, when the world was full of hungry people with money in their pockets." Immigrants of the right kind and foreign capital are the needs of the Argentine at present. The Argentine needs transport, and will continue to rely on the foreign money market for it. It is interesting to learn that 65 *per cent.* of the railways have been financed and built and are operated by British companies.

"Simen: Its Heights and Abysses." By Major H. C. Maydon. London: Witherby. 16/-.
"An Amateur in Africa." By C. Lestock Reid. London: T. Fisher Unwin. 12/6 net.
"The Argentina of To-day." By L. E. Elliott. London: Hurst and Blackett. 18/- net.

AN IMPRESSIONIST PAINTER.

Madame Berthe Morisot is the subject of the latest addition to the valuable series of studies and criticisms under the general title, "Masters of Modern Art." M. Armand Fourreau, in an appreciative monograph, translated by Mr. H. Wellington, shows how, little by little, Madame Morisot rose to take her place in the front rank of the young school of French painters which was sometimes described as the "School of Light." As a luminist and colourist she ranked with her great impressionist comrades Monet, Lisley, Renour and Pissarro. M. Fourreau says of his subject, "People began at last to understand that Berthe Morisot was one of the painters, whether of the impressionist group or outside it, who had best contributed to the endowment of our modern school with the element which had formerly been considered its vital, and which was now by way of becoming the chief factor in its regeneration—the element of light." The book contains forty collotype reproductions of the artist's works, including the well-known "*Jeune Femme au Bal.*"

"Berthe Morisot." By Armand Fourreau. Translated by H. Wellington. London: Lane. 5/- net.

LIFE IN THE ELEVENTH CENTURY.

"The Autobiography of Guibert" is a mediæval document now presented for the first time in English. Guibert, a French abbot, lived from 1053 to 1124, and wrote the records of his life during the days of Richard Lion Heart. His credulous honesty has historical value. His story of the first Crusade is full of incidents and sayings taken straight from the lips of men who fought in that expedition. The simple abbot of Rogeut did not know, when he penned his quaint sentences, that he was bequeathing to posterity a source of intimate information on the Church history of the time, on home life in castle and monastery, on educational conditions and methods, and above all on the great municipal movement in France then beginning to make enslaved peasants into chartered townsfolk.

Even in those far-away days the ways of women excited churchmen's reprobation. "Ah! how wretchedly have modesty and honour in the state of maidenhood declined, and both the reality and show of a mother's guardianship shrunk to naught! Therefore, coarse mirth is all that is to be noted in their manners and naught but jesting heard, with sly winks and ceaseless chatter. Wantonness shews in their gait, and only silliness in their behaviour. So much does the extravagance of their dress depart from the old simplicity that in the enlargement of their sleeves, the straitness of their skirts, the distortion of their shoes of Cordovan leather with their curling toes, they seem to proclaim that everywhere shame is a castaway. There was of old time, I call God to witness, greater modesty in married men, who would have blushed to be seen in the company of such women, than there is now in married women."

"The Autobiography of Guibert." Translated by C. C. Swinton Bland, M.A. London: Routledge. 7/6 net.

FRANCISCAN FRAGMENTS.

The year 1926, marking the seventh centenary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, is a year of moment for the Order which practises the rule of "the Poor Man," and its admirers. In no other medieval Order were the simplicity and humility of primitive Christianity so sweetly imitated, and the charming Franciscan anthology published by the Talbot Press will bring home to every reader the spirit which animated Francis and his followers. "Brother Albert was wont to say that there were three things which glorified the Order—to wit, bare feet, coarse garments, and contempt of money." The Franciscans were to medieval religion what chivalry was to medieval society, and this is well brought out in extracts from "The Romanticism of St. Francis," by the Capuchin Father Cuthbert, who contributes a foreword praising Mr. Vincent's selection.

Perhaps, Mr. Vincent might have made a more authoritative volume by drawing on the documents published by the English Society of Franciscan Studies; but for a popular interpretation his choice could not be bettered. He draws on the quaint, primitive records of the drollery and poetic devotion of "the little brown company," and on modern writers, like Ruskin and Arnold, who have found high intellectual worth in the child-like trustfulness of those men who made no enemies and started no controversies, and whose leader was so abounding in faith that he sought to end the Crusades by preaching to the Saracens just as he preached to the birds.

"The Little Brown Company." Gathered by Louis Vincent. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 5/- net.

RECENT FICTION.

Sigismondo Malatesta, the great lord of Rimini and captain of *condottieri*, is the central personage of Mr. Hutton's new novel. It is scarcely a novel in the ordinary sense, but a historical chronicle of Sigismondo and his house, supposed to be told by an old humanist, Pietro Sanseverino, whose simple paganism is accompanied by much charm and kindliness of heart. The politics of the Italian States in that extraordinarily opulent time of human thought and activity, when Cosimo de' Medici ruled in Florence and the Renaissance itself ascended the Papal throne in the person of Nicholas V., do not make easy reading, but, to those who appreciate prose of such distinction as Mr. Hutton's, the patience is repaid. Few modern readers will share Pietro's affection for his hero, but they can admire the completeness and honesty of his portrait of a Renaissance despot—his great physical beauty and polished manners, his love of learning (his court gay with scholars, poets, painters, architects, travellers and ladies), his dauntless courage and hideous cruelty. The things of which Sigismondo talked with Leon Battista Alberti at the palace of the Medici, in a brief interval between those incessant wars which had no other object than his personal advancement, give some idea of the extent and variety of his interests—"of his ambition, which was boundless; of his dreams for Rimini, that was to be a city of palaces and fortresses in the new manner; of war and arms and the art of government; of sovereign remedies against fatigues and wounds; of swords and engines of war; of the taking and destroying of castles, and the building of them, too; of difficult feats of engineering; of the beauty and strength of horses and their swiftness; of hunting and of dogs; of art and painting and sculpture, and of the learning of Petrarch and Boccaccio; of women and the stars."

"The Mastiff of Rimini: Chronicles of the House of Malatesta." By Edward Hutton. Methuen. 7/6 net.

"Hard Wood" and "Loudon from Laramie" are first-rate tales of their kind by practised hands. Both are American, and carry the reader into wild country and among folk of primitive fighting instinct, all handy with the gun. One is of the East, and traces the progress of a feud between "Hard Wood," a redoubtable fighter, and the Coopers, a "pison mean" family, who add to their farming the more lucrative manufacture of moonshine. The other tale belongs to the cow country of the Far West, and introduces a gang of "rustlers," who steal cattle and horses, and terrorise a whole county till they are countered by the superior skill and daring of one Tex Loudon, a cattle detective. In both tales the ending is as it should be—the bad men are completely wiped out.

"Hard Wood." By Arthur O. Friel. Melrose. "Loudon from Laramie." By Joseph B. Ames. Hutchinson. 7/6 net each.

"Sepia" is a story of life as a District Officer in British Borneo, dealing with the somewhat hackneyed theme of "the custom of the country." Home on leave, Denis Prothero marries. He brings his wife back to Borneo, and the inevitable complications as to confessions of the past as against discovery crop up. Where the author shines is in his description of life in Borneo, of the natives and their superstitions of the jungle and its horrors, and of the deadening tittle-tattle which goes on in a small station. "Marie Halkett" is a curious adventure yarn, dealing with modern "pirates" and "bootleggers" in America. The heroine, Marie, is suspected of being the murderer of an unfortunate seaman, and Rudolf Gray is entrusted with the task of tracking her. Her photograph convinces him of her innocence, and it is with very mixed feelings that he sets out upon his search. Marie proves very elusive, and leads Rudolf a pretty dance. Everything eventually turns out as one expects in stories of this type, and the lovers are united and explanations are generously forthcoming, but the mere Britisher may feel somewhat dazed. In "Captain Salvation" a Nova Scotia divinity student, returns to his Presbyterian uncle and announces that he is "throwing it all up. . . . Can't swallow that bosh. . . . archaic rubbish," and feels aggrieved when the uncle and gossips of the town do not receive him with open arms. Mr. Wallace's frankness in detailing Anson's career alienates all sympathy with that young man for the rest of the story, even when, amid much brilliant word-painting, he leads an adventurous and penitential life as "Captain Salvation." The author should keep to the sea.

"Sepia." By Owen Rutter. "Marie Halkett." By Robert Chambers. "Captain Salvation." By Frederick William Wallace. T. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net apiece.

If Haggard and Kipling had collaborated and Captain P. C. Wren had revised their manuscript, they might have given us a book exactly like "The Ivory Graves"; for here is a story which, if it does not compare with the very best work of these masters, does combine Haggard's intimate command of Africa and its people, with Kipling's skill in depicting the life of soldiers and administrators, and also with Captain Wren's warm humanity. The adventurous scenes in Africa are balanced by a fine picture of an ancient English house, and the real drama is transacted in the spirits of three characters who command admiration as well as love. It is a notable book. "South Sea Gold" is a healthy American tale of a treasure hunt upon a Pacific island with many bonny fights and a satisfying conclusion.

"The Ivory Graves." By Sir Hector Duff. "South Sea Gold." By Charles Rodda. Nelson. 7/6 net each.

The cruiser Suffolk, the first of the five of the County class being built, was launched at Portsmouth Dockyard on Tuesday. Lady Bristol, who performed the naming ceremony, made six efforts to break the christening bottle of champagne across the bows.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

THE WEEK'S BOOKS AT A GLANCE

BIOGRAPHY.

The Flurried Years. By Violet Hunt. London: Hurst and Blackett. 18/- net.
[A well-known novelist describes experiences between 1908 and 1916, and tells anecdotes of prominent persons, including Mr. W. B. Yeats, the late Henry James and Joseph Conrad, etc.]

The Sunlit Hours. By Theodore Andrea Cook. London: Nisbet. 18/- net.
[The editor of The Field sets down memories of Radley and Oxford, of journalism and of sport.]

Life's Fitful Fever. By Margaret Wynne Nevinson. London: Black. 15/- net.
[Mrs. Nevinson describes the suffrage movement and her experiences as Poor Law Guardian, school manager, and justice of the peace.]

My Apprenticeship. By Beatrice Webb. London: Longmans Green. 21/- net.
[Memoirs of the well-known writer on social and economic themes.]

The Parnell of Real Life. By William O'Brien. London: T. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net.

FICTION.

Esau. By Victor MacClure. Harrap. 7/6 net.
The Triumph of a Fool. By John Ressich. Cassell. 7/6 net.
Robinson. By Stanley J. Rubinstein. Jarrolds. 7/6 net.
Man or Beast? By Arthur Paterson. **Galloping Gold.** By David Learmonth. Hutchinson. 7/6 net each.
The Red Club. By H. R. Taunton. **A Mental Marriage.** By Gertie de S. Wentworth James. Hurst and Blackett. 7/6 net each.
Ernest Escaping. By W. Pett Ridge. Methuen. 7/6 net.
Lilli Barr. By Louis Bromfield. **The Dean and Jecinora.** By Victor L. Whitechurch. T. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net each.
Boundless Water. By Marjorie Bowen. **Helen the Conqueror.** By Harold Bindloss. Ward Lock. 7/6 net each.

HISTORY AND POLITICS.

The History of Ireland. Volumes VII. and VIII. (From 1906). By the Right Rev. Monsignor D'Alton. London: Gresham Publishing Company.
[Uniform with the former volumes, in which Monsignor D'Alton traced Irish history from the earliest times, these well-illustrated and well-produced volumes carry the story down to March, 1924.]

The International Anarchy, 1904-1914. By G. Lowes Dickinson. London: Allen and Unwin. 17/6 net.
[A study of the causes of the Great War, contending that the conflict "arose inevitably from the juxtaposition of armed sovereign States bent upon extending by force their territory and markets and conducting their relations by the methods of secret diplomacy."]

Where is Britain Going? By L. Trotsky. Introduction by H. N. Brailsford. London: Allen and Unwin. 4/6 net.
[The Bolshevist leader discusses the prospects of a revolutionary issue to Britain's economic position.]

MISCELLANEOUS.

Evolution for John. By Henshaw Ward. London: Arrowsmith. 5/- net.
[A simple explanation of the theory of organic evolution, in the same style as Mr. Hilaire Belloc's "Economics for Helen."]

Manners and Tone of Good Society. By the Hon. Mrs. Dowdall. London: Black. 5/- net.

The Express Per Gross and Per Dozen Reckoner. By J. Gall Inglis, F.R.S.E. London: Gall and Inglis. 2/6 net.

London's Lost Theatres of the Nineteenth Century. By Erroll Sherson. London: Lane. 18/- net.
[A well-illustrated work, rich in memories of old-time plays and players.]

London's Latin Quarter. By Kenneth Hare. Illustrated in colour and black and white by Dorothea St. John George. London: Lane 15/- net.
[A beautiful volume containing essays on the scenes, traditions and people of literary and artistic Chelsea.]

Essays of To-day and Yesterday: Philip Guedalla. London: Harrap. 1/- net.

NATURE AND SPORT.

Birds in England. By E. M. Nicholson. With wood engravings by E. Fitch Daglish. London: Chapman and Hall. 12/6 net.
[A book on bird protection, which discusses the work of W. H. Hudson and Gilbert White, egg-collecting, the advisability of sanctuaries, whether birds are necessarily afraid of man, the Wild Birds' Protection Bill, the oil menace, the bird foes of birds controversy, etc.]

The Sweet Science. By Trevor C. Wignall. London: Chapman and Hall. 15/- net.
[A copiously illustrated book on boxing in Britain, Ireland, and foreign countries, with accounts of famous fighters, and chapters on the medical aspect of the sport and similar topics.]

POETRY AND DRAMA.

A Golden Book of Francis Thompson. Extracts arranged by John A. Hutton, D.D. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 2/6 net.
[Verses extracted from Thompson's works to illustrate Dr. Hutton's discourses in the *British Weekly*.]

The Augustan Books of Modern Poetry: (1) Siegfried Sassoon. (2) Andrew Lang. (3) A Religious Anthology. (4) Frederick William Harvey. (5) Sir Edmund Gosse. (6) Walt Whitman. London: Benn. 6d. net apiece.

TRAVEL.

Vanishing Trails. By Harrison Dale. London: Black.
[Contains an account of a 52,000 miles voyage, a description of Grant road, Bombay, and "No. 9" in Yokohama, a satirical study of modern America, and chapters on a Christmas Day on a tramp-steamer in the Bay of Biscay, an Antwerp night, a Greek football match, and modern Constantinople.]

Why and How I Went to Australia as a Settler. By Lord Apsley. London: Hodder and Stoughton.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS.

The Stationery Department of the Irish Free State draws attention to the interesting publications published under its ægis. One of its newest volumes is "Forestry Notes," by Mr. A. C. Forbes (6d.), which gives exhaustive instructions on the formation of plantations and shelter belts of trees in Irish conditions. The "Journal of the Department of Lands and Agriculture" (1s. net.) gives similar matter periodically on all branches of agriculture. New editions have been printed of archæological tracts on "Glendalough" (1s. 6d. net.), and "Creevelea Abbey" (9d. net.), which will be valuable to tourists visiting these historic spots during the coming season.

The Department also announces that it has copies still available of "Brehon Law Tracts" (10s. net.), and the "Bibliography of Irish Philology and Printed Irish Literature" (4s. net.)—an exhaustive work indispensable to students as enabling them to trace the whereabouts of texts that are buried in learned journals, long out of print.

THE ART OF JOHN SARGENT.

How great an artist the world lost last year by the death of John S. Sargent is brought home by the "Illustrations of the Sargent Exhibition," published by the authority of the Royal Academy (London: Walter Judd, Ltd., 5s. net).

Here are photographs of about 150 of Sargent's paintings, drawings and sketches, exhibiting the vigour and the versatility of his genius. Most of the pictures, of course, are portraits—pictures that will remain to later times as the record, not merely of the manners and expressions of our age, but as illuminations of the personalities of great folk, who will be remembered in history. Sargent's rare gift in portraiture was to catch his subjects in their most vital moods. From the features that he depicts—whether of children or of great statesmen, of the ladies of storied houses, or of scholars and churchmen—there seems to leap a highly-strung, haughty life; for Sargent painted the proud and did it with a responsive understanding.

The landscapes, war pictures and decorative designs are not less interesting. Who can look at "Gassed, 1916," without feeling all the awe of Armageddon?

THE LORE OF WORDS.

What has Avalon to do with apples? What dames are known by the titles Glorishears, Gramachree, Rufty Tufty and Trunkles? What are the origins of the personal names Lorimer, Souter, Walker, Caird and Sellar? What folk songs belong to the upper Thames district?

Answers to these questions may be found amid the masses of curious lore gathered in the beautifully-printed and well-edited little magazine, "Word-Lore," the first number of which we have received from the Folk Press, London. This publication manifests the growing interest in folk traditions which has resulted, as if by reaction, from the headlong course of material progress.

One interesting article discusses the familiar terms which have been rendered obsolete by the new Law of Property Acts, which abolished the Lord of the Manor, and with him escheats, amercements, gravelkind, heriots, quit rents, Court Leet, "ale-tasters" and many other relics of old England. An article on curious local pronunciations of place names was inspired by an American lady's remark: "Fancy spelling a name Cholmondeley and calling it Marchbanks." The writer does not mention that Dun Laoghaire often is pronounced Kingstown.

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POOR RACING.

LOYAL SCOT'S EASY WIN.

RATHCOOLE UNPLACED.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

WINDSOR, Thursday Night.

Although the weather was much improved, the going here this afternoon, as anticipated, was terribly heavy, and there was a complete lack of interest in the racing, which was very poor, indeed. We led off badly when the favourite, Fair View, fell in the race for the Belmead Handicap Steeplechase four fences from home, and Apple Pie made all the running to win by three lengths from Lone Hand.

None of the useful horses turned out for the most valuable event of the afternoon, the Royal Handicap Hurdle, and only five went to the post, of which Loyal Scot and Golden Brick were joint favourites. Old Cavalier led for a mile, when Sound Asleep went on in front. He dropped out two hurdles from home, and then Loyal Scot went on to beat Golden Brick far more easily than the verdict of a length suggests.

Tim, who was favourite for the selling steeplechase, put up a good effort for the greater part of the way, but three fences from home he began to weaken, and then Irish Cheer went on to win by a couple of lengths from Ambridge.

There was a wretched race for the College Steeplechase, for which Ardaile was not started. Bouncer II. was made favourite, but when Red Abbey swerved he carried out with him both Bouncer and Drury Lane. Only two were left standing at the finish, in which Highball beat Myriad by half a length.

In the last race of the afternoon odds were laid on Rathcoole, with Bruff Battle, who had missed the opening steeplechase, the next best backed. Rathcoole was beaten some distance from home, and Fantastical, who is now an entirely reformed character, beat Bruff Battle with something to spare.

Fortunately for our drooping spirits, after two wretched days of racing, we are promised good sport at Hurst Park to-morrow. Old Tay Bridge will run for the Walton Handicap Steeplechase if his trainer considers the going suitable in the morning, and he will be opposed by such other National candidates as Red Bee, who, after all, is none the worse for the accident in his race at Sandown, and Corazon. Sprig does not run, but horses not engaged in the National who are likely to take part are Snipe's Bridge and Progress.

I believe that Old Tay Bridge is well fancied and expected to win. He should have come on a good deal since his last race. It is doubtful who will ride, for the injury to Anthony's shoulder when Unique fell yesterday kept him out of the saddle this afternoon. I suggest that OLD TAY BRIDGE should win, but there may be real danger from Snipe's Bridge, who is a good horse just now, judging by the style in which he won at Nottingham.

It is most unlikely that Boddam will be asked to carry his 13st. in the Roehampton Hurdle Handicap, for which T. Leader has sent both Cloth of Gold and Treasurer, and B. Jarvis has sent his French horse, Onyx, who will have to improve vastly on recent running if he is to have any sort of a chance. Barrackton Lad seems unreliable now, but I think that Spinney Hill has a chance, as also has Pigeon Post, with bottom weight. I choose TREASURER to win.

In spite of his weight, Woodend, who put up a far bolder show against Boddam than Rosemullion at Lingfield last week, should have a fine chance in the Hurlingham Hurdle. Tom Pinch runs here, but the going probably is still too soft for him. Mizzen Mast ran well at Sandown, but I shall choose WOODEND to win. The Amateurs' Steeplechase would seem to be at the mercy of BEN CRUCHAN if he were started. In his absence, FOXTROT would look the best.

GALTEE MORE.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Treasurer. Double—Treasurer and Woodend.
Daily Mirror:—Double—Silken Prince and Signet (nap).
Daily Graphic:—Double — Kilkerran and French Leave.
Daily Express:—Safety bet — Maxtoi. Double—Maxtoi and Signet.

WEIGHTS.

CHELTENHAM MEETING.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11.

NATIONAL HUNT HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 1,000 sovs., being 850 sovs. to the winner, 100 sovs. to the second, and 50 sovs. to the third. About three miles and a quarter.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Ruddyglow	a	12	7	Marston Moor	a	10	6
Double Chance	a	12	3	Ballystockart	a	10	5
Blancona	6	12	1	Test Match	a	10	5
Top Light	a	12	1	Dog Fox	a	10	5
Vive	a	11	11	Navana	a	10	4
White Park	a	11	10	Turmeric	a	10	3
West Country-man	a	11	10	Ibstock	6	10	3
				Ballymacrory	a	10	3
Koko	a	11	9	Rathinck	a	10	3
Vaulx	a	11	7	Santabel	a	10	2
Marsin	a	11	5	Gardenrath	a	10	1
Ben Cruchan	a	11	5	Backway	a	10	1
Snipe's Bridge	a	11	5	Harry Hart	a	10	1
Sprig	a	11	4	Gem	a	10	0
Eureka II.	a	10	12	Red West	a	10	0
Drinmond	a	10	9	Ruddyman	a	10	0
Patsey V.	a	10	9	Soldier Bill	a	10	0
Manser's Pride	a	10	8	Ballyhanwood	5	10	0
Cash Box	a	10	8	Chicot	6	(drn.)	
Red Bee	a	10	7	Rousham	a	(dead)	

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

HURST PARK MEETING.

Amateurs' Steeplechase—The Bleeka.
Roehampton Handicap Hurdle Race—Kinnaird, Bright Land and First Magic.
Walton Handicap Steeplechase—Uncle Jack.
Weybridge Handicap Hurdle Race—Polizei.
Ranelagh Handicap Steeplechase—Tullylost.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Gatwick engagement—Pivotal.
Liverpool Foxhunters' Steeplechase—Golden Hind.

JOCKEYS' ENGAGEMENTS AT HURST PARK TO-DAY.

Amateurs' 'Chase—Maxtoi (Mr. Gosden), Foxtrot (Owner); Wimborne (Owner). Weir Hurdle—Snowcloud (S. Ingham), Fire Cracker (Rayson). Imber Selling—Red Shank (V. Piggott), Honest Boy (Trudgill), Silken Prince (T. Leader), Flushed (Gurney). Roehampton Hurdle—Onyx III. (Donnelly), Firing Line (V. Piggott). Walton 'Chase—Progress (Lefebve), French Leave (Speck), Corazon (A. Escott), Snipe's Bridge (R. Philip). Hurlingham Hurdle—Mizzen Mast (J. Anthony), Tom Pinch (Tighe), Back Stair (Donnelly).

SOUTH WESTMEATH HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES

(Under I.N.H.S. Rules, and by permission of I.M.F.H. Association).

AT KILKENNY WEST (5½ miles from Athlone), On THURSDAY, MARCH 11th, 1926.

2 o'clock—SOUTH WESTMEATH HARRIERS' HUNT CUP. Cup value £20, with a sweepstake of 2 sovs each (2/6 bookage). For horses the property of members of the South Westmeath Harriers. Distance—About 3½ miles.

2.45 o'clock—LIGHT-WEIGHT OPEN RACE. Sweepstake of 2 sovs. each (2/6 bookage). Second horse saves his stake. Weights, 12 stone. Penalties—Winner of any race 7lb. extra. Riders—Professionals excluded. Distance—About 3½ miles.

3.30 o'clock—HEAVY-WEIGHT OPEN RACE. Sweepstake of 2 sovs. each (2/6 bookage). Second horse saves his stake. Conditions same as Light-Weight, except weight, 13st. 7lb. Distance—About 3½ miles.

4.15 o'clock—COBS' RACE, OPEN. Sweepstake of 1 sov. each (2/6 bookage). Second horse saves his stake. For horses not more than 15.1 h.h. Catch weights, 11 stone and over. Winner of any race to carry 7lb. extra. Distance—About 3½ miles.

5 o'clock—FARMERS' RACE. For horses the property of farmers in the district hunted by the South Westmeath Harriers.

Entries CLOSE on SATURDAY, MARCH 6th, with E. J. Bolton, Hon. Sec., Athlone, from whom further particulars may be had.—(Advt.)

HURST PARK.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Amateurs' Steeplechase—Foxtrot.
Weir Hurdle—Marterne or Rising Falcon.
Imber Steeplechase—Poole's selected.
Roehampton Hurdle—Signet, each way.
Walton Steeplechase—Old Tay Bridge.
Hurlingham Hurdle—Tom Pinch.*
DOUBLE—Tom Pinch and Signet.

1.30—AMATEURS' STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second receives 25 sovs., and third 15 sovs. 3 m 180 yds.

	Age	st.	lb.
WINBORNE (Mr. S. Dennis) D. Harrison	a	11	12
FOXTROT (Capt. H. Lumsden) Woodland		11	12
PICTURE HALL (Mr. G. Lees) R. Payne	a	11	7
MAXTOI (Mr. Eric Platt) Poole		11	7
SIR SHAUN (Mr. K. Mackay) H. Leader	6	11	2
(The above have arrived.)			
BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. W. H. Whitbread) G. Bennett	a	12	7
ARDGOUR (Maj. C. Norrie) G. Bennett	a	12	3
DAYDAWN (Capt. C. Petre) S. Bennet	a	12	3
POLAND YET (Capt. E. Speed) Jackson	a	12	3
MOORSIDE (Mr. E. Kennedy) Rayson	a	11	12
HIGHBALL (Major Mocatta) S. Bennet	a	11	12
LOBLOLLY (Capt. A.M. Bankier) Anthony	a	11	7
LITTLE WAVELET (Mr. J. F. Norris) R. Payne	a	11	7
HACKDAILE (Mrs. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Whitelaw	a	11	7

2.0—WEIR FOUR - YEAR - OLD SELLING HURDLE RACE of 300 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m.

	st.	lb.
FIRE CRACKER (Mr. Chaicraft) Rayson	10	10
SNOWCLOUD (Mr. Gant) L. Hammond	10	10
MULE FACE (Mrs. C. Stevens) C. Stevens	11	10
KILKERRAN (Ld. Westmorland) Owner	10	10
(The above have arrived.)		
GEORGE G. (Mr. Bradford) Owner	10	10
BURNING THOUGHTS (Mrs. Cornelius) Larkin	11	10
ORANGE PLUME (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) Gwilt	10	10
EROS (Mr. Edgar) Krog	10	10
GREENHORN (Mr. Edge) Poole	10	10
GAINSCOURT (Mr. Froome) Tabor	10	10
LAD'S LOVE (Mr. R. Scott Fry) Pendarves	10	10
QUADRANGLE (Mrs. Gritt) Gilbert	10	10
LA PASTORELLE (Miss Hunt) J. Reardon	10	10
SAINT COIL (Lt.-Col. Jickling) Kemp	10	10
RISING FALCON (Mr. Meek) Krog	10	10
MONTE (Capt. Sadler) Poole	10	10
SANS BLAGUE (Mr. Saunders) Clement	10	10
RED SAND (Mrs. Stanley) Stanley	10	11
MARTERNE (Miss A. Vincent) Smyth	10	10
HORACE (Lord Wavertree) Ferguson	10	10
ANNIVERSARY (Mrs. Wiggin) R. Payne	10	10

2.30—IMBER SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. 310 yds.

	Age.	st.	lb.
CONDOR (Capt. H. Holt) R. Thompson	a	12	5
FLEECY WAVE (Mr. B. Fitch) Poole	a	12	4
FLUSHED (Mr. W. Whitehead) R. Payne	a	11	7
REDSHANK (Mr. M. Evans) E. Piggott	a	11	4
ROMAN CANDLE (Mr. V. T. Thompson) F. Hartigan	5	11	0
HONEST BOY (Mr. H. Hesford) H. Law	a	10	9
(The above have arrived.)			
WINGED WAVE (Mr. E. L. Lloyd) T. Leader	a	12	7
PROSPERITZ (Mr. J. S. Counsell) E. Piggott	a	12	4
THE STAR (Mr. L. Stanley) Stanley	a	12	3
IRISH CHEER (7lb. ex.) (Mr. R. J. Herniman) Poole	a	12	3
FITZPICTON (Mr. T. Hartigan) Goby	a	12	2
SOUTHPOOL (Mr. G. S. Langlands) Stanley	a	12	1
GOLDEN VICTORY (Mr. G. Shaw) Pendarves	a	12	1
LUKESTON (Mr. B. F. Goad) J. Nightingall	a	12	0
BROKEN WAND (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Owner	a	12	0
MOYTURA (Sir E. Platt) Poole	a	12	0
TIM (Mr. J. W. Wood) Stanley	a	12	0
COMMANDER SMITH (Mr. G. Woods) Stubbs	a	11	9
SILKEN PRINCE (Mr. D'Arcy Baker) Martin	a	11	9
PRICKLY (Mrs. A. C. Saunders) R. Gordon	5	11	5
B. JAY (Mr. W. Frayne) Owner	a	11	5
PRIMING PAN (Mr. E. Clark) Savill	5	11	0
THE CHENAB (Mr. W. L. B. Krog) Owner	5	11	0
BRIGHT BLUE (Mr. F. Wilmot) Poole	a	10	8

3.0—ROEHAMPTON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 300 sovs. Second receives 35 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
ONYX III. (M. E. Henriquet) B. Jarvis	a	12	5
CLOTH OF GOLD (Mr. J. Baylis) T. Leader	5	11	8
BARRACKTON LAD (Mrs. Cornelius) Larkin	a	11	7
SPINNEY HILL (Mr. C. Barlow) Read	6	11	2
FIRING LINE (Mr. J. Misa) E. Piggott	a	10	12
TREASURER (Ld. Glanely) T. Leader	4	10	8
PIGEON POST (Ld. Westmorland) Owner	4	10	6
(The above have arrived.)			
BODDAM (Mr. A. H. Tennent) H. Turner	a	13	7
CONFIRMATION (Mr. Siegmond Cohen) Tabor	6	12	5
LACOCK (Sir Francis Price) Gilbert	6	12	0
GOLDEN BRICK (Mr. T. W. Blenkiron) W. Nightingall	6	11	8
SIGNET (Mr. F. W. Wilmot) Poole	a	10	13
GUINEA STAMP (Mr. J. P. Webb) T. Webb	a	10	5

3.30—WALTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 20 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 3 m. 180 yds.

	Age.	st.	lb.
SIR HUON (Ld. Woolavington) Gore	a	11	11
SNIPE'S BRIDGE (Capt. R. M. Thompson) Owner	a	11	6
RED BEE (Maj. H. A. Wernher) Hastings	a	11	0
CORAZON (Maj. Barrett) Owner	a	10	8
MORELLO (Mr. W. A. Read) A. Escott	5	10	2
(The above have arrived.)			
SILVO (Mr. W. H. Midwood) Whitaker	a	12	9
BEGGAR'S END (12lb. ex.) (Capt. J. Orr) G. Bennett	a	12	7
OLD TAY BRIDGE (Mrs. W. D. Dixon) F. Hartigan	a	11	12
SPRIG (Mrs. M. Partridge) T. Leader	a	11	9
THE SHERIFF (Mr. W. Parsonage) Whitaker	a	11	8
GOOD POINTS (7lb. ex.) (Mr. W. Filmer-Sankey) Owner	a	11	5
DARRACQ (Maj. F. R. Samson) Woodland	a	11	2
AMMONAL (Mr. J. W. Wood) Stanley	a	11	0
FRENCH LEAVE (Mr. I. J. Owen) G. Bennett	a	10	8
PROGRESS (Mrs. D'Arcy Baker) Martin	a	10	7
MARSTON MOOR (Mr. W. A. Bankier) Hastings	a	10	6
CRYPTICAL (Mr. F. H. Bowcher) Private	a	10	1
GEM (Maj. C. W. M. Norrie) G. Bennett	a	10	1
WALLSEND (Mrs. E. A. Cameron) Cameron	6	10	0
CHAIN HILL (Mr. C. Richen) East	5	10	0

4.0—HURLINGHAM HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. For horses which, at closing, have not won a hurdle race. Second recieves 25 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
MIZZEN MAST (Lady Nelson) Hastings	a	12	0
BACK STAIR (Lord Allendale) B. Jarvis	5	11	10
BRAB (Sir Warden Chilcott) Rayson	5	11	10
POLAZEL (Mr. H. Escott) A. Escott	5	11	10
PERUSIA (Maj. E. Gillilan) McDougal	5	11	10
TOM PINCH (Lord Woolavington) Gore	5	11	10
BULL'S EYE (Mrs. Edward Clayton) Woodland	4	10	12
EMPIRE (Mrs. R. Jeffrey) Butchers	4	10	12
(The above have arrived.)			
WOODEND (Mr. R. Brendon) G. Bennett	5	12	3
JARVIE (Mr. B. Cohen) H. Leader	6	12	0
THE CARPENTER (Mr. E. Gregory) Rayson	a	12	0
TELEMACHUS (Mr. T. Hartigan) Goby	6	12	0
STARDUST (Mr. F. W. Baker) East	5	11	10
MONTPELIER (Lord Beaverbrook) Whitaker	5	11	10
TABISINTAC (Lord Beaverbrook) Whitaker	5	11	10
THISTABEL (Mr. G. De Vine) De Mestre	5	11	10
JAMNAGAR (Capt. R. Sassoon) Martin	5	11	10
SHAKESPEARE (Mr. J. M. Clayton) Woodland	4	10	12
DAVID GARRICK (Mr. Siegmond Cohen) Tabor	4	10	12
MAGNUS (Mr. A. C. Howeson) W. Nightingall	4	10	12
SET FAST (Mr. Sol Joel) Earl	4	10	12
BAR LE DUC (Lord Lovat) W. Nightingall	4	10	12
PEEPING TOM (Sir Malcolm McAlpine) J. M. Bell	4	10	12
JAM TO-MORROW (Mr. J. Mackay) Owner	4	10	12
RUSSIAN EAGLE (Lord Marchamley) Goby	4	10	12
IMPARAT (Mr. G. Read) Owner	4	10	12
GOOSE GREEN (Mr. R. Ross) W. Jones	4	10	12
ISMET (Mr. H. Weld) W. Nightingall	4	10	12

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LEOPARDSTOWN FEBRUARY MEETING, 1926.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20th.
FIRST RACE, 2.15 p.m.

A Train, with reserved carriages for Members, leaves Harcourt street Station at 1.25 p.m., returning from Foxrock at 5.5 p.m., after racing is over.

Members will only be admitted to reserved carriages on production of their badges.

On the introduction of a Member, tickets admitting to the Members' Enclosure (Gent. 2 gns.; Lady, 5/6), can be obtained at the Members' Ticket Office on the Course, and at the Ticket Box at the top of the new Motor Enclosure, where Tickets for the Grand Stand can also be purchased.

Combined Tickets for Course and Enclosures (except Club Enclosure) can be obtained at the Booking Office at Harcourt street Station on day of Races.

Extreme measures will be taken to prevent betting outside the Stand Enclosures.

The following are non-runners at Hurst Park to-day:—Weir Selling—Horace. Hurlingham Hurdle—Imparat. Doubtful runners:—Amateurs' 'Chase—Loblolly, Little Wavelet. Weir Selling—Anniversary. Imber Selling—Broken Wand, Prickly, Priming Pan. Walton 'Chase—Marston Moor.

WINDSOR RESULTS.

1.30—BELMEAD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second receives 15 sovs. 2 m.
Sir E. Wills's b. g. APPLE PIE, by Feather Bed, dam by Captain Kettle, a, 9-9 Jepson 1
Mr. A. W. Hedges's LONE HAND, a, 11-1 T. Morgan 2
Mr. E. W. Brook's CARLIUS, 6, 10-7 R. Philip 3
Also ran—Westown (Gregson), Sultan of Wicken (J. Hamey), Glenlee (J. McNeill), Fair View (S. Holt). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by de Winton.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—11 to 8 agst. Fair View, 4 to 1 each APPLE PIE and Carlius, 5 to 1 Lone Hand, 100 to 8 any other. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by three lengths; a bad third. Sultan of Wicken was fourth and Glenlee last.

2.0—IVOR SELLING HANDICAP H'DLE RACE of 110 sovs. Second to receive 5 sovs. 2 m.
Mr W. F. Larkin's ch. h. SPEEN, by Too Late—Brandaby, a, 12-0 E. Barker 1
Lord Marchamley's YARNTON, a, 10-11 E. Doyle 2
Mr. H. S. Harrison's PERICO, a, 11-2 Mr. J. Stevens 3
Also ran—Otford (H. Rankin), Errand Boy (T. Chisman), Black Duke (Rayson), The Nore (S. Feltham), Spahi (R. Prioleau). Off 2.0. (Winner trained by Larkin.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—9 to 4 agst. SPEEN, 4 to 1 Yarnton, 9 to 2 Perico, 7 to 1 Errand Boy, 10 to 1 Otford, 100 to 8 any other. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by ten lengths; three lengths. Errand Boy was fourth and Black Duke last.
There was no bid for the winner.

2.30—ROYAL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second to receive 15 sovs, and the third 5 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. F. Hartigan's br. g. LOYAL SCOT, by Stedfast—Scotch Wife, 5, 10-12 S. Ingham 1
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's GOLDEN BRICK, 6, 11-13 W. Speck 2
Mr. O. W. Raynor's ROYAL ARCHER, 5, 11-4 H. East 3
Also ran—Cavalier (A. Stubbs), Sound Asleep (E. Knight). Off 2.30. (Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 2 each agst. LOYAL SCOT and Golden Brick, 7 to 2 Sound Asleep, 5 to 1 each Cavalier and Royal Archer. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by one length; twelve lengths. Sound Asleep was last.

3.0—WEIR SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 110 sovs. Second to receive 5 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. R. J. Herniman's b. g. IRISH CHEER, by Earla Mor—Outburst, a, 11-2 T. O'Sullivan 1
Mr. E. Havelock Allen's AMBRIDGE, a, 10-11 F. Gurney 2
Mr. J. Pendarves's BROWNSTOWN, a, 11-13 T. Chisman 3
Also ran—Tim (E. Backhouse), Schiddles (T. Leader). Off 3.1. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 2 agst. Tim, 3 to 1 Ambridge 100 to 30 Schiddles, 7 to 2 IRISH CHEER, 100 to 7 Brownstown. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by two lengths; same. Schiddels was last.
The winner was bought in for 105 guineas.

3.30—COLLEGE STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second to receive 10 sovs. 3 m.
Major E. Mocatta's b. g. HIGHBALL, by Ouadi-Halfa—Sultana, a, 11-9 Captain de Wend-Fenton 1
Lord Killeen's MYRIAD, a, 12-0 Owner 2
Also ran—Bouncer II. (J. Hamey), Drury Lane II. (Mr. C. Ancil), Don Battery (Mr. E. Pearce), Red Abbey (P. Cullen), Castlefin (E. Farr). Off 3.30. (Winner trained by S. Bennet.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—11 to 8 agst. Bouncer II., 3 to 1 Red Abbey, 4 to 1 Drury Lane II., 10 to 1 HIGHBALL or any other. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by half a length. Only two finished.

4.0—CLUB NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE of 110 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. 2 m.
Commander J. W. McCowan's ch. g. FANTASTICAL, by Radium—Fanfarona, a, 12-2 Mr. R. Kidd 1
Mrs. H. A. Brown's BRUFF BATTLE, a, 11-7 Mr. H. Brown 2
Major V. E. Mocatta's ARDONIAN, a, 11-0 Captain de Wend-Fenton 3
Also ran—Rathcoole (Mr. C. Kirk), Roi Rouge (Owner), Moorside (Owner), Palatial (Mr. R. Read). Off 4.2. (Winner trained by MacCo.l.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—15 to 8 on Rathcoole, 100 to 30 Bruff Battle, 6 to 1 FANTASTICAL, 20 to 1 any other. "Sporting Life"—Same.
Won by three-parts of a length; half a length. Rathcoole was fourth, and Palatial last.

CURRAGH TRAINING NOTES.

THE CURRAGH, Thursday.

A fine morning.
BEHAN'S Poppy Day, Carnlough, Clough, and Fair Head went a mile at a useful pace.
COOMBS' Ceylonese, Grave Fairy, Duleek, Infanta Aina, Night Jar, Saorstat, and the two-year-olds were usefully employed.
DAWSON'S Tony Lad, Halston, Ingomar, Pipennis, Petit Beau, Rosmeen, and Kildarra Boy cantered.
PARKINSON'S Flying Laddie, Bawn na Glas, and Too Richy went a mile and a half steadily. Louvixen, Helen Adair, Lomond's Lake, and Loanmore cantered six furlongs.
PERRY'S Red Michael and No Joke were sent a mile. Silvertown, Blue Look Out, Maureen M., and Knocklong Boy trotted.
DOYLE'S Tipperary Boy and Sunnyray exercised on the roads.
KENNY'S Mr. Wrigley and Mediator's Hope cantered six furlongs, and schooled over fences.

GOLF.

GEORGE DUNCAN RETURNS TO FORM.

One of the features of last year's professional golf was the inability of George Duncan to do himself justice. Assiduous practice has made him a master of his shots again, however, and he played magnificently in the Guildford Alliance's 36 holes competition against bogey to win the Lamarque Cup at St. George's Hill yesterday. At the end of the first round he was the only player to have finished square with bogey, and led by a hole from from J. H. Turner, of Frilford Heath. In the second round his play was even better. He was round in 72. He lost four holes to bogey, but won six, two of them being eagles, two strokes better than bogey. Two of the holes which he lost were the sixth and twelfth, at which he was giving strokes, and in each case he missed a hole-able putt. Duncan drove the ball with his old-time crispness, and his approaches were played with great accuracy.

SANDY HERD LOSES THREE BALLS.

Alexander Herd, the ex-Open Champion, had the curious experience of losing three balls in a single round at Bushey Hall yesterday. The occasion was the decision of the Herts Alliance's four-ball competition against bogey, over 36 holes. Herd was partnered by Mr. H. Le Fleming Shepherd, and he lost three balls during the first round. Largely as a result of this, he and his partner were 4 down at the end of the first round, and, though they played well in the afternoon, they could not get on terms with the Oxhey and Porter's Park pairs, who tied for first place at 1 down, and will play off for the trophy in the near future.

ST. ANNE'S.—Ladies' Section—February medal. Sunday, 21st, postponed from February 7th. Also "Cullen Cup" final.
WOODBROOK.—The monthly medal will be played for on Saturday, 20th, 18 holes v. bogey. The 2.45 train ex Westland Row will stop at Woodbrook on Saturdays until further notice.
SKERRIES.—Ladies' Branch—January medal won by Mrs. Landy (26), 86. February medal, 18 holes v. bogey.
MALAHIDE (Ladies' Branch).—The semi-open foursomes, postponed from February 9th, will be played on Tuesday next, February 23rd (Scotch foursome).
BRAY.—Postponed monthly medal, Saturday, 20th inst., bogey.
PORTMARNOCK.—The February medals (strokes) will be played for to-morrow.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP AT BALDOYLE

The first of the two National Cross-Country Championships will be brought to issue to-morrow afternoon, when the National Junior event will be decided over the Baldoyle Racecourse, by kind permission of the directors of the Metropolitan Race Company. It was the original intention that the event should be held at Meadowbrook, Dundrum, but the state of that course on the occasion of the last two County Dublin Championships caused the National Athletic and Cycling Association to reconsider their decision. The return to Baldoyle will be welcomed, as, although the course there may not be as genuine a cross-country one as at Dundrum, the easy access to it and the excellent facilities for dressing accommodation which it provides more than counterbalance any disadvantage it may have in other respects.

The increasing popularity of the sport is indicated by the fact that nineteen clubs have entered for the event, as against fifteen last year. On the present occasion no individual entries have been accepted, and the contest will be run purely as an inter-club event. Last year an inter-county championship was run in conjunction with it. The nineteen clubs entered include the holders, the Clonliffe Harriers, and the Willowfield Harriers, Belfast, who were second last year. Unfortunately, the Cork City Harriers, who were third on that occasion and who won in the previous year, will not be represented to-morrow.

The teams entered are as follow:—Clonliffe Harriers (holders); Naas Athletic Club; Clonmel Athletic and Cycling Club; Duncairn Nomads Harrier Club, Belfast; Willowfield Harriers, Belfast; City and Suburban Harriers; Navan Cycling and Athletic Club; Tipperary Athletic and Cycling Club; North Belfast Harriers; St. Mary's Harriers, Drogheda; City of Belfast Athletic Club; Civil Service Harrier and Athletic Club; Dublin Metropolitan Guards' Athletic Club; Donore Harriers; Ulsterville Harriers; St. Peter's Harriers, Lurgan; Army Athletic Harriers, Curragh Camp; Templemore Athletic Club, and Dublin City Harriers.

The race will start at 3.30 p.m., sharp.

Arrangements have been made by the Association with the Tramway Co. for a special service of cars from Nelson Pillar to Baldoyle between the hours of 2 and 2.30 p.m. Omnibuses will also run from O'Connell Bridge, and there are trains from Amiens Street Station at 2.5 and 2.45 p.m.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—February.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 20th	9-Mile Stone	1.30

THE MEATH.

To-day	Kilbride Cross-roads	11.30

THE KILDARE.

Saturday, 20th	Cappagh	11. 0

HILLSIDE HARRIERS—Meet at Clondalkin on Saturday at 2 o'clock.

WESTMEATH HOUNDS.

Owing to the death of Colonel Nugent, Jamestown Court, these hounds will not hunt until after the funeral.

CARLOW HOUNDS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Saturday, 13th, Kellistown.—Following on the good sport of the previous Tuesday—when hounds, meeting at Ravenswood, made a 5-mile point from Culaphuca Wood to the "Round O," in the Island country—Saturday's tryst at Kellistown preceded an equally good day's hunting. With a piercing east wind and the accompanying blue haze, which always indicates good scent in Carlow, hounds found and killed a fox in Ballycrogue covert (the first draw) before going away on a second fox. From here a ringing hunt of over 2 hours 30 minutes ensued, and, though they were never far afield from the Ballycrogue vicinity, some beautiful hound work resulted, and horses were jumping and galloping hard throughout, hounds eventually marking their fox to ground in Ballycrogue, where they found him. Lough covert, drawn next, provided a very fast dart to ground in Castletown, and only a few came on to Ballintrane and Kilknock, which coverts, however, proved blank.

Tuesday, 16th, Fenagh.—This day may, without doubt, be regarded as an extra good day's sport, and the small field out came in for two really first-class hunts. The lake at Kilconner, drawn from the meet, proved tenantless, but on a gorsey ditch close by a fox was found, who meant going from the first. Facing up wind and leaving Kilconnor on their left, with a splendid scent, hounds ran their fastest parallel with the River Burrin for some distance before swinging to the left over Ballybrommell. With Janeville on their right, they turned down wind, running at undiminished speed over Lumclone and through Kilconnor. Over the Fenagh road hounds ran on, making little of the distance between here and Ballydarton, passing through the late Mr. Watson's laurel covert *en route*. Time up to this point had been 40 minutes of the very hardest, with never a pause, over a fine line of banks, hounds never once having checked since they found. Neither was there any delay here, for, hunting straight through the covert at Ballydarton, and crossing the Burrin on the further side they ran fast over Straduff, with Mount Leinster looming ever nearer in front of us. Hounds were now hunting the line of a dying fox, scent in consequence becoming colder, with occasional checks. Over the stone wall and narrow bank country, however, which faced us now, they hunted on past Knockdramagh, crossing the upper streams of the Burrin on the lower slopes of a shoulder of Mount Leinster. Close to a farm house near by hounds, however, threw up their heads, and though every inch of ground was made good, all trace of their fox disappeared; and it is the huntsman's opinion that he must have got to ground, or, "stone cold," taken refuge in the farm buildings. The point of this hunt was 6¼ miles from where hounds turned at Ballybrommell to where they lost their fox. Time, 1 hour 30 minutes.

From Ullard, the next draw, a rattling good burst of 45 minutes ensued, a fox found here setting his mask direct for the banks of the Slaney. Passing through Shrough, hounds crossed the Ballon road at the foot of Boggan Hill, and, with Altamont on their left, came down to the river banks at Kilbride. Crossing the Slaney, which was unfordable to-day, it was, perhaps, as a relief to more than one that in Ballintemple, opposite, hounds marked their fox to ground in some old badger earths on the banks of the river, thus ending a capital day's sport.

FINGAL HARRIERS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Hounds met at Tuvey on Friday, 12th February. We had a nice ring round Tommintown before going to draw Mr. Maxwell's farm, where we found immediately. Hounds running over Coldcut to Irishtown, went through Johnstown and Baldrummin to Ballough, where they killed in the open, after a good hunt of forty minutes. Another short ring finished the day.

On Tuesday last, from the Seven-Milestone meet, we had a quick find on Mabestown, hounds running nicely over Irishtown to the Ashbourne road, which they crossed, making a point for the Rath; then bearing to the left, hounds ran by Newtown cross-roads to Baytown, and back over Mabestown to Irishtown, where we lost. Although blowing a gale, with heavy sleet showers, the majority of the field went on to draw Ballymacarney, from which we had a slow hunt to Kilbride, and back in a wide circle over the same farm, scent being very poor throughout. Nothing further was done.

LOUTH HOUNDS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

February 3rd—Winter Lodge. A fox found at Winter Lodge was hunted over the road into Whitestown, where hounds caught him. Except for a brace of foxes found in Gormanston, one being marked to ground, nothing else was done.

February 6th—Drumconrath. Greenan's gorse, the first draw, was full of foxes. After some time in covert hounds pushed one out, and ran very fast over Moneystown by Corstown into Clonbarton. Scent was of the best, and sticking to their fox, hounds ran on through the bog, out by Rathrasna, past the village of Drumconrath into the Nine Acres. There were a lot of fresh foxes here, but the body of the pack hunted on into Drumhirkan Wood, through this, and on to the Diamond Hill, through the covert to Balistrick, where they marked to ground after a good hunt of 1 hour. and 10 minutes. Went back to Greenan's gorse, found again, and ran by Moneystown on to Corstown, then left-handed back by Greenan's through the covert and over the bottoms down to the river, and, keeping along the bank, ran to Ballygowan, where they marked to ground. Bolted him in a few minutes, and hounds caught him coming on to the road. Forty-five minutes. As everyone had had enough, hounds did not draw again.

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HOCKEY.

IRELAND V. WALES.

To-morrow afternoon at Park avenue, Sandymount, Ireland will play her first International of the season, meeting Wales. All arrangements are now complete, and, in spite of the difficulties caused by the recent spell of wet weather, it is expected that the pitch will roll out in good order, thanks to the careful attention of the ground staff. The demand for tickets has been keen, so that, given a fine day, the attendance should be good.

Leave difficulties will prevent the Welsh team reaching Dublin before Saturday morning. They will make the Royal Hibernian Hotel their headquarters, where they will be entertained to dinner by the Irish Hockey Union at 7 p.m. on Saturday evening. After dinner, on the invitation of Mr. Leggett Byrne, they will attend the dance at Clery's at 9 p.m.

No changes have been notified in the teams, which are expected to turn out as follow:—

IRELAND.

Goal—E. M. Dillon (Holywood).
Full backs—W. M. Dick (Cliftonville), W. Stockil (L.P.Y.M.A.).
Half-backs—Lieut. Heard (K.E.), S. R. Malcomson (Banbridge), C. A. Gamble (E. Antrim).
Forwards—W. Bailey (Lisnagarvey), C. Sally (Railway Union), G. G. MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), W. P. MacDonogh (E. Antrim), N. Coburn (Banbridge).

WALES.

Goal—R. C. Bishop (Abergavenny).
Full backs—B. G. Lampard-Vachell (Hampstead), H. R. Clarke (Chepstow).
Half-backs—E. O. Thomas (Old Catheranians), Dr. C. H. Owen (Hightown), A. Sharpe (Old Kingstonians).
Forwards—E. C. Arnold (Bangor Univ.), J. H. Lewis (Mid. Surrey), M. D. A. Evans (Cardiff Univ.), Capt. O. J. Roberts (R.E.), W. J. Beynon (Swansea).
Umpires—Messrs. J. Gordon Boyd (Scotland), J. Fullerton (Wales).

ARMY BEATS NAVY.

The Army, superior on all counts, beat the Royal Navy by six goals to two at Merton yesterday. King scored three goals for the Army. Roberts netted two and Patterson one. Berryman and Barclay scored for the Navy.

COURSING.

THE WATERLOO CUP.

IRISH HOPES SHATTERED.

KEEN LADDIE'S FAILURE.

(BY OUR COURSING CORRESPONDENT.)

LIVERPOOL, Thursday Night.

Bitter disappointment and disillusionment were the lot of the Irish contingent at Lydiate to-day. Our hopes centred in Keen Laddie and Company Job. Of course, we were aware that each was set a great task, for Keen Laddie was pitted against Jovial Judge, and the other against the favourite, Pentonville; but there was just the hope that the hares would stand up at Lydiate, and that then the Irish dogs would have more than an outside chance of taking down the numbers of the English pair. We plumed ourselves on what we regarded as the fact that, though our representatives might be led, they could afford to give the lead away and yet raise the flag by having the better of the working.

PACE TELLS.

Well, Keen Laddie was led all right by the Judge, but not only that—he was beaten at his own game, and that in no uncertain fashion, though, in the enthusiasm of the moment, and until one came to balance up the points, it seemed that he had almost pulled the course out of the fire when he nailed the hare. But beaten he was by the faster greyhound, and by one which was very much cleverer than himself. On reflection, I came to the conclusion that what I heard on the day of the draw concerning him was not altogether devoid of foundation.

When he went to slips this morning he certainly was not on his toes, and after he had been led by fully three lengths, he never really warmed to his work. He did not, however, run badly. Far from it; but he did not course the hare with the same edge that we had associated with his previous displays at home or with the sparkle which he showed yesterday. He was placed for the second, but failed to take his chance, and then the other went about his business in convincing style. To cut the story short, had he handled the hare in his usual manner he might have pulled it off, but he had not the speed of the English dog, who had so much the best of it in the close working that, though Keen Laddie had the last couple and the kill, he was still in arrears.

THE BEST COURSE.

Jovial Judge ran a right good course, and he actually improved on it the second time to beat that excellent worker, My Jim; but I thought he was a bit lucky to get the flag. In this instance he got up in front of the fawn. It was the finest course of the meeting by a long way, though not the longest; but My Jim seemed to have done enough to merit the fiat when it ended with the kill for the brindled; but the judge was in a position to see all that happened. There is a local interest in the performance of Jovial Judge, seeing that in the first round at the Withins last year our Brave Show made a hack of him after losing the first half-dozen points or so in one of the heaviest courses of the three days.

EXIT IRELAND.

As to Company Job, there was not more than three lengths in it for the turn, so that it was evident that Pentonville was not shifting in his usual free style; but in the working the crack had practically all the points, the North of Irelander swinging very wide off the turns and losing chance after chance, with the result that when the flag went up for Pentonville there had been really only the one dog in it. So our last hope vanished, but it was not a bad performance to have got so far.

There was a lesson to be learned by Irish coursing men in these defeats, and that was that not only the working qualities, but the speed is necessary now to win a Waterloo Cup. Had Keen Laddie had the speed to-day he might have beaten Jovial Judge. In the fast working his lack of pace was clearly apparent. It has been an accepted fact that speed did not count for so much at Lydiate—that the dog which could course the hare, even though a slow one, could afford to surrender the lead. But the English system of breeding and training has evidently undergone a change, and now the speed is as necessary as the working, while the English trainers appear to favour few of the dogs with backs which resembled the big beams which we read of in former times. It was all very interesting, indeed.

THE LAST FOUR.

The end of the day, so far as the Cup was concerned, found Dangerous, Running Rein, Jovial Judge and Brutus in the last four. Dangerous had the best of it with Mongoose, and whatever chance the latter had of lowering the colours of Lord Dalmeny's dog was completely ruined when the black raced up and took the hare in his stride. He has the best of the handicap, but he will have to be on his best behaviour to-morrow morning to stop the progress of Running Rein, which was one of those I picked out on the night of the draw.

Brutus had such an awful gruelling in his last course with Pentonville that he will likely not be considered at the call of the card to-night. It was the heaviest course of the meeting, and he really made an exhibition of the favourite before the course ended. However, the winner was completely pumped out, and if there was one quality displayed in a marked degree, it was his courage and staying power, for he kept with the hare until she beat him.

Brutus is one of the biggest puppies that have been seen at Altcar for years, for he weighs 78½lbs., but he has the pace, and for a dog of his build he can handle the hare as well as the most compactly built of them.

A FORECAST.

I think that the two which will go to slips for the deciding course will be Running Rein and Jovial Judge, and here I may remark that Harry Leader brought to mind that Running Rein's dam was sired by Victorious Ally, though, in the absence of records, I am not in a position to verify this.

There was little of Irish interest in the Purse, for both Montebank and Salmon went down in the first round, the former after leading Dicentra; and as for the Plate, only one of the Irish dogs was sent to slips—namely, Guiding Hand—for Honey Girl and Strathavon were drawn. In the bye which Guiding Hand ran he was paired with one from Rimmer's kennels, and was beaten in it. He again was wide off the turns, and I do not hold out any hopes of his getting to the end of the Stake.

The coursing was very disappointing; in fact, for Lydiate, it was very moderate, and the first dozen trials would not have done justice to one of our good parks. Occasionally we had a capital spin, but, taking them on the whole, they did not attain to the Waterloo standard, or anything like it.

Judge—A. E. Brice. Slipper—E. Wilkinson.

THE WATERLOO CUP—For 64 all-ages, at £25 each. Winner, £500 and Cup; second, £200; two dogs, £50 each; four dogs, £30 each; eight dogs, £20 each; sixteen dogs, £10 each.

THIRD ROUND.

Sir George Noble's bk. d. NON NOBIS (Jack-in-Office—Nuzzling Naiad) beat Mr. Beer's bd. d. SPORTING BET (Sir Berkeley—Sherry and Bitters).
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Non Nobis.
Lord Dalmeny's bk. d. DANGEROUS (Jack-in-Office—Whisper Dear) beat Mr. Minoprio's bd. d. p. MONGOOSE (Jerrim—Fairy Lark).
Betting—11 to 10 on Dangerous.
Mr. R. Rank's bd. w. d. RUNNING REIN (Harmonicon—Faint Flicker) beat Mr. K. Brown ns. r. d. GUARDIAN (Guards Brigade—Miss Cula).
Betting—11 to 4 on Running Rein.
Mr. Baxter's f. d. ECHO BACK (Woodcut—Memories) beat Mr. J. White ns. bd. d. BEST JUDGE (Skeets—Sure Thing).
Betting—7 to 4 on Echo Back.
Mr. J. L. Jarvis's f. d. JOVIAL JUDGE (Guards Brigade—Half a League) beat Mr. T. Harte ns. bd. d. KEEN LADDIE (Kaiser II.—Keen Girl).
Betting—6 to 5 on Jovial Judge.
Mr. G. Mayall's bd. d. p. MY JIM (Jamie—Dulce) beat Mr. Cook's f. d. p. CARETAKER (Staff Job—Wishing Ring).
Betting—5 to 2 agst. My Jim.
Mr. J. H. Bean's r. f. d. p. BRUTUS (Jamie—Little Belle) beat Mr. G. Smith's bd. d. p. SAME YET (Gip's Pride—Staying Blood).
Betting—6 to 4 on Brutus.
Mr. H. C. Pilkington's r. f. d. PENTONVILLE (Staff Officer—Persephone) beat Mr. J. W. Fullerton ns. f. d. COMPANY JOB (Honeyman—Dew of June).
Betting—6 to 4 on Pentonville.

FOURTH ROUND.

Dangerous beat Non Nobis.
Betting—6 to 5 on Dangerous.
Running Rein beat Echo Back.
Betting—3 to 1 on Running Rein.
Jovial Judge beat My Jim.
Betting—2 to 1 on Jovial Judge.
Brutus beat Pentonville.
Betting—6 to 5 agst. Brutus.

WATERLOO PURSE of £215—For the 32 dogs beaten in the first round of the Cup. Winner, £75; second, £30; two dogs, £15 each; four dogs, £10 each; eight dogs, £5 each.

FIRST ROUND.

Mr. C. A. Mills's r. f. d. MINTING II. (Woon—Hurdy Gurdy) beat Capt. Viscount Molyneux's f. r. d. p. MONEY LENDER (Honeyman—Southern Belle).
Mr. J. R. Marshall ns. bd. d. p. PERSINUS (Gip's Pride—Yorkshire Lassie) beat Mr. Hoyle's bd. d. HOY LEADEM (Kaiser II.—Damorra).
Mr. J. E. Dennis's bk. b. p. DICENTRA (Jamie—Dinara) beat Mr. M'Alinden's r. f. d. p. MOUNTEBANK (Royal Dictator—Out o' Ture).
Sir R. W. Buchanan-Jardine's r. d. p. WEST CROFTON (Guards Brigade—Littleton Sylvia) beat Mr. T. J. O'Sullivan ns. r. w. b. SALMON (Ocean Boy II.—Schooner).
Major H. Peel's f. d. BRYN THOUGHT (Bryn Stellite—Bryn Fancy) beat Mr. N. Dunn ns. r. f. w. d. HAVERTON HILL (Staff Officer—Hayton).
Mr. P. Story ns. f. d. RUSTY BLADE (Staff Officer—Waiting Maid) beat Mr. W. Taylor's r. w. d. p. TOR LEAP (Muffle—Tripula).
Mr. J. T. Crossley's r. d. CANTATA (Jules Mumm—Kantara II.) beat Sir R. W. B. Jardine's r. d. JEOPARDY (Staff Job—Jeremiad).
Mr. J. Bell-Irving's bd. d. p. HUNTING TOWER (Jamie—Miss Marjorie), a bye; Mr. Heyworth ns. BOASTED FORCE (Jamie—Fairy Lynn), drawn.
Mr. W. Banks's bd. w. d. p. SPALDING BARD (Skeets—How Nice) beat Mr. Birkbeck ns. r. f. b. p. HARTON HILL (Jemadar—Fancy Girl V.).
Mr. A. W. Drayson ns. r. f. d. ACE OF SPADES (Great Form—Silvery Brook) beat Mr. E. C. L. Bradley ns. bk. d. p. BLACK EBONY (Skeets—Elnora).
Mr. J. A. Harrop's f. w. b. p. HARTING (Jamie—All Alone III.) beat Mr. H. Sawtell's f. r. d. MELKSHAM ALERT (Bryn Stellite—Melksham Sally).
Brigadier-General McCalmont ns. bd. d. BLOWER (Harmonicon—Braemar) beat Mr. J. Read ns. w. bd. d. p. GIANT KILLER (Jamie—Mischievous Millie).
Sir D. E. Gooch's r. f. d. GRACKLE (Staff Job—Grey Mist) beat Sir J. Humphery's r. b. HENRIETTE HORN (Guards Brigade—Littleton Frisco).
Countess of Sefton ns. r. f. d. p. SENTRY GO (Guards Brigade—Safety First) beat Mr. J. A. Jowett's bd. b. JOSEPHINE (Derringer—Rosta).
Mr. A. F. Pope's r. f. d. PRESTON BROOK (Derringer—Fantasy), a bye; Mr. F. Fawcett's bd d. p. FATHER'S FAULT (Jock's Lodge—Whisper Dear), drawn.
Sir M. M'Alpine's bk. d. KING OF SPADES (Jock's Lodge—Briar Bush) beat Mr. Gordon Smith's f. d. p. GOLDEN SPEAR (Hawklike—Silvery Brook).

SECOND ROUND.

Minting II. beat Persinus.
Dicentra beat West Crofter.
Rusty Blade beat Bryn Thought.
Cantata beat Hunting Tower.
Spalding Bard beat Ace of Spades.
Harting beat Blower.
Sentry Go beat Grackle.
Preston Brook beat King of Spades.

WATERLOO PLATE of £145, for the 16 dogs beaten in the second round of the cup. Winner, £75; second, £30; two dogs, £10 each; four dogs, £5 each—Total, £145.

FIRST ROUND.

Duke of Leeds ns. r. f. d. p. TACTICIAN (Guards Brigade—Veronica) beat Captain Webeter's bk. b. p. DEPTFORD (Staff Officer—Rhine II.).
Mr. A. L. Wing ns bd. d. BEADED ROCK (Jock's Lodge—Beaded Lil) beat Lord Lonsdale's r. f. d. LAWMAN (Transvaal Dictator—Janet).
Miss Fawcett ns. w. bd. d. BALLYSHANNON (Scoop—Oriental Amiability), a bye; Mr. M. L. Hearn's bk. b. HONEYGIRL (Honeyman—Magical Maid), drawn.
Mr. S. M. Dennis's r. d. p. DOMINIQUE (Beaded Bob—Real Gertie), a bye; Lord Dewar's bk. d. p. DARWIN (Denny—Latta), drawn.
Colonel Lord Tweedmouth's f. d. TWIN SHOT (Derringer—Ginger II.), a bye; Earl of Sefton's r. w. d. SYRUP (Muffle—Short and Sweet), drawn.
Mr. D. J. Gorey's bd. d. GUIDING HAND (Irish Steeple—Fashion Plate), a bye; Major C. Blundell's bd w. p. BOTTLE (Muffle—Brow Mill), drawn.
Mr. H. Dyke Dennis's f. d. DIG DEEP (Staff Officer—Doffles) beat Mr. D. Graham ns. bk. d. WESTGARTH (Jack-in-Office—Whisper Dear).
Mr. T. G. Curtis ns. bk. d. p. RENT ROLE (Guards Brigade—Red Rosette), a bye; Mr. Shaw's bd. d. STRATHAVON (Stormount—Sirenia), drawn.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE CUP.

THIRD ROUND.

NON NOBIS beat Sporting Bet. It was a good buckle-to for speed, Non Nobis finally drawing clear to make the turn a length to the good on an outside. The black just missed pulling his quarry down, knocking puss over for Sporting Bet to kill and end a very short trial.

DANGEROUS beat Mongoose. Dangerous was smartest out of slips, and looked like going up clear for the turn, but, steadying himself, allowed Mongoose to shoot up for the first point. Mongoose kept possession for a good sequence before placing the black, who, however, did not run with the dash of Mongoose, who went for another good innings. Dangerous was in possession when the hare went into the drain, but did not appear to have wiped off his arrears.

RUNNING REIN beat Guardian. Running Rein immediately drew out clear, and forged out to lead by three lengths. The hare broke sharply back, but Running Rein kept possession and scored again before placing Guardian, who ended a short course by killing to lose.

ECHO BACK beat Best Judge. Echo Back was quicker out of slips, but Best Judge forged up in front to take the turn by half a length on an inside. Echo Back scored twice, and then followed keen exchanges, Mr. Baxter's puppy scoring two strong points before ending the course with the kill.

JOVIAL JUDGE beat Keen Laddie. Jovial Judge came away best from slips and soon showed in front of the Irishman. When he went round with the hare there were three lengths between them, but Keen Laddie was placed for the second. For a time Jovial Judge had the better of it, and then followed level exchanges. Once Keen Laddie looked to have nearly wiped out his arrears, but he did not quite get on terms, and, running the hare listlessly for him, he was a beaten dog when he brought his teeth into play to end a short working trial.

MY JIM beat Caretaker. My Jim got badly out of slips, but raced up two lengths clear for the turn. He then shot out, and Caretaker went on for a good innings before My Jim joined in the course again. Mr. Mayall's puppy squared accounts, and was a clear winner when he killed.

BRUTUS beat Same Yet. Brutus, after a great race, just got up for the turn on an inside. Brutus took the next points before placing Same Yet, who, however, failed to make much use of his chances, and Brutus put in some good work before Same Yet killed.

PENTONVILLE beat Company Job. The favourite at once stretched out for the lead and got the turn by three good lengths; placed for the next, Company Job failed, running wide; the hare was too fast for the white collar, and, in addition, the other always had the foot of him, and Company Job running a slovenly course, and Pentonville sticking it out well, won practically all one way.

FOURTH ROUND.

DANGEROUS beat Non Nobis. Non Nobis got badly out of slips, and Dangerous raced up for a five lengths lead. Lord Dalmeny's dog kept his place and ended a very short course by killing at the first attempt.

RUNNING REIN beat Echo Back. Running Rein showed pace on an outside, but the hare favoured Echo Back, who nipped in for the turn. Running Rein, however, was quickly in possession, and, running with great fire, scored a few strong points before ending a short course with a kill.

JOVIAL JUDGE beat My Jim. Jovial Judge was slow out of the slips, but had the better pace and went up with a two lengths lead. The favourite scored the next two points, and then tripped. He, however, was soon in possession again and rattled up a strong sequence before My Jim became busy. Some exchanges followed, and, though finishing strongly, My Jim failed to wipe off his arrears.

BRUTUS beat Pentonville. With the better of the handicap Brutus showed two lengths better pace, and, coming round with his game, scored two more points. Pentonville equalised matters, but behind a stag of a hare the puppy repeatedly raced past, and was a clear winner of a gruelling course.

BETTING.

INDIVIDUAL COURSES.

9 to 4 on Running Rein v. Dangerous.
7 to 2 on Jovial Judge v. Brutus.

LONG ODDS.

7 to 2 agst. Dangerous (t. and o.).
6 to 4 agst. Running Rein (o.).
7 to 4 agst. Jovial Judge (o.).
8 to 1 agst. Brutus (o., after 10 to 1 t.).

Dangerous was first on offer at 7 to 2, with four "monkeys" taken, and as a result 7 to 2 became the final offer, after 1,400 to 140 had been taken. Running Rein came in at 6 to 4, but there was little money taken at this price. As a matter of fact, there was little money astir, and at 2 to 1 Jovial Judge met with some support, and then went out to 9 to 4, but 7 to 4 was the best price on offer against him at the finish. Brutus was viewed from his big course with Pentonville, and at the end 8 to 1 was the top price obtainable.

The meet will be at Hill House at 9.30. First brace in the slips at 10.15 a.m.

DIVISION OF STAKES.

The prize money will be as follows:—

THE WATERLOO CUP, 64 subscribers at £25 each.

1—winner (and Cup)		£500
1—second		200
2—dogs £50 each		100
4—dogs £30 each		120
8—dogs £20 each		160
16—dogs £10 each		160
32		£1,240
	Waterloo Purse and Plate	360
		£1,600

THE WATERLOO PURSE—for 32 dogs beaten in the first round of the Cup.

1—winner (and Cup)		£75
1—second		30
2—dogs £15 each		30
4—dogs £10 each		40
8—dogs £5 each		40
16		£215

THE WATERLOO PLATE—For the 16 dogs beaten in the second round of the Cup.

1—winner (and Cup)		£75
1—second		30
2—dogs £10 each		20
4—dogs £5 each		20
8		£145

ORDER OF RUNNING TO-DAY.

Waterloo Purse (third round)	4 courses
Waterloo Plate (second round)	4 courses
Waterloo Cup (fifth round)	2 courses
Waterloo Purse (fourth round)	2 courses
Waterloo Plate (third round)	2 courses
Waterloo Cup	deciding course
Waterloo Purse	deciding course
Waterloo Plate	deciding course

PADDY PLEASES PARTICULAR PEOPLE
"Paddy" Flaherty
WHISKY

CAHERDAVIN—YESTERDAY.

Judge—Mr. M. Walshe. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

CAHERDAVIN STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £30; second, £12; third and fourth, £3 each.

Miss O'Reilly's bd. d. Orpiment (Glorious Event—Vidi) beat Mr. J. McDonnell's f. r. d. Chancet (Commandant Pearse—Costume Cloth).
Mr. P. Ryan's w. bk. d. Glenville Hawk (Spotted Hawk—Glenville Girl) beat Mr. R. O'Carroll's bd. d. Sir Horace (Horace Wheatley—Maid of the Mountains II.).
Mr. J. Enright's f. d. Pumpfield (Jedderfield—Caherdavin Lass) beat Mr. P. Liston's f. r. d. Ballysheen (Royal David—Royal Delia).
Mr. T. O'Dwyer's f. d. Sunville Boy (Conquering Hero—Dashing Queen) beat Mr. L. Carew's bk w. b. Tipperary Lass (Clunagh Fiddler—Clunagh Dazzler).
Mr. J. Rea's bd. b. Katty Darling (First Light—Winding Way) beat Mr. J. Coughlan's f. b. Old Bridge Lass (Conquering Hero—Dashing Queen).
Mr. P. Leahy's bk. d. Dromtrasna (Shady Business—Garryglass Lady) beat Mr. J. Buckley's bk. b. Buckley's Best (Fierce Attack—Kitty the Hare III.).
Mr. M. Brouder's bk. d. Bugleman (Clare Boy III.—Tipsy), a bye; Mr. E. Sheehy's bk. d. Red Silver (Silver Spoon—Silver Salver), absent.
Mr. M. O'Dea's bk. b. Ardnamoher (Ribemont—Lady Arravale) beat Mr. M. Barry's bd. d. Paddy Drive On (Rustic Prince II.—Drive On).

II.

Orpiment beat Glenville Hawk.
Sunville Boy beat Pumpfield.
Katty Darling beat Dromtrasna.
Ardnamoher beat Bugleman.

III.

Orpiment beat Sunville Boy.
Katty Darling beat Ardnamoher.

IV.

Katty Darling beat Orpiment.

COONAGH STAKES—For 9 all-ages. Winner, £20; second, £8; third, £3 10/-.

Mr. P. Heenan's bd. w. d. Ringrose Lad (Glorious Event—Blue Prospect) beat Mr. J. Fitzgerald's bd. d. Fettered Friend (Tip Top VIII.—Cruel Hawk).
Mr. D. D. Foley's bd. d. Flute Player (Harmony XII.—Peg the Rake VII.) beat Mr. D. Fogarty's f. d. Superstitious (Cheerful Speed—Springy Neva).
Mr. J. Dove's bk. d. Captured Hawk (Spotted Hawk—Coming Capture) beat Mr. J. J. Ahern's w. bk. d. Full Freedom (Commandant Pearse—Sour Grapes).
Mr. P. O'Gorman's r. f. b. St. Expedite (Full Speed—L'Empress) beat Mr. M. Clery's f. d. Midas (Woolwinder IV.—Queenie's Delight).
Mr. M. Kennedy's f. d. Melange (Three Speed—Rumda), absent.

II.

Flute Player beat Ringrose Lad.
Captured Hawk beat St. Expedite.

III.

Flute Player beat Captured Hawk.

MEMBERS' STAKE—For 16 all-ages. Winner, £20; second, £8; third and fourth, £2 each.

Mr. J. J. O'Connor's bd. w. b. Tip and Go (Tip Top VIII.—Coming Fast) beat Mr. S. G. Mathews' f. b. Melon (Taa Agam—Muz).
Mr. P. J. Hickey's bk. d. Heart of Erin (Spotted Hawk—Coming Capture) beat Mr. P. Markham's bd. d. Rory (Honeyman—Bellamona).
Mr. R. Enright's bd. d. Barnacroheen (Royal Dictator—Lass o' Laughter) beat Mr. J. Fitzgibbon's bk. d. Far and Away (Spotted Hawk—Coming Capture).
Mr. T. P. O'Connell's bd. d. Main Street (Sunny Land—Maggie Webb) beat Mr. P. Ryan's bd. b. Cain's Top (Tip Top VIII.—Cain's Daughter).
Mr. M. Gallagher's bd. b. Little Isle (Scattery Island—The Droleen) beat Mr. J. White's w. bk. b. Rathmore Lass Again (Spotted Hawk—Rathmore Lass).
Mr. M. Cronin's bd. d. Castaway (Cheerful Charger—Indian Star) beat Mr. T. Ryan's bd. d. Star Turn (Ribmont—Fawn Leg).
Mr. J. P. Hogan's bk. d. Battly (Strandtown—Chiquita II.) beat Mr. S. Madigan's bd. b. Moor Maiden (Clare Boy III.—May Morning XII.).
Mr. M. Quinlan's bk. d. Bronzino (Wooden Bridge III.—Fidget V.) beat Mr. M. Griffin's bk. d. Gladful (Dear Sir—Gladneck).

II.

Tip and Go beat Heart of Erin.
Barnacroheen beat Main Street.
Little Isle beat Castaway.
Bronzino beat Battly.

III.

Tip and Go beat Barnacroheen.
Little Isle beat Bronzino.

IV.

Little Isle beat Tip and Go.

MOTOR CYCLING.

PATLAND CUP TRIAL.

The annual trial for the Patland Challenge Cup will take place to-morrow afternoon, under the auspices of the Leinster Motor Cycle and Light Car Club. The event is regarded as the most sporting of the Dublin trials of the year, by reason of the nature of the course over which it is held. Its severity is not to be measured by the length of the distance traversed, which is but fifty-five miles. Heretofore the event has been a confined competition for the solo trials championship of the club, but on the present occasion it is being run as an open trial.

The course lies for the most part in the south-western portion of the County Dublin, the farthest point touched being Kippure. The test hills include Killinardin Hill and Moor, Ballinascorney Gap, "Sloggers" Hill, the Farmyard and Bohernabreena hairpins, each of which will be taken twice during the trial, and Sorrel Hill and "Slithers." There will be nine observed ascents during the trial. While no mark will be lost for failures to ascend these hills without a stop, bonus marks will be granted, based on the manner in which the hills are climbed. In addition, competitors will be timed over certain observed sections, and bonus marks at the rate of two marks for every minute, or part thereof, will be awarded to those competitors who exceed twenty miles an hour. In the event of a tie on marks the placings will be decided by the total time of the three observed sections.

In view of the fact that those who start early will be at an advantage, the order of starting has been arranged by draw, and is as follows:—G. N. Irvine, 350 c.c. Royal Enfield; W. B. Parr, 494 c.c. Triumph; F. Moore, 350 c.c. Chater Lea; J. J. Beggan, 350 c.c. Cotton; T. E. Greene, 499 c.c. "Rattles"; H. Rose, 350 c.c. Montgomery; G. Briggs, 490 c.c. Montgomery; H. D. Walsh, 350 c.c. Rover; J. F. "Bush," 976 c.c. Royal Enfield; Stanley Woods, 490 c.c. Norton; A. Robinson, 250 c.c. New Imperial; H. Adair, 350 c.c. Rex Acme; M. Healy, 490 c.c. Norton; R. H. Hill, 350 c.c. Humber; D. McCrae, 350 c.c. O.K. Bradshaw; G. Burney, 350 c.c. Royal Enfield; H. E. Bell, 250 c.c. James; F. Holmes, 494 c.c. Triumph; G. V. B. Cooke, 347 c.c. Sunbeam; J. A. Carvill, 499 c.c. Triumph.

The trial will start from and finish at Terenure. The first man is due to leave at 2 o'clock, and to finish at 4.47 p.m.

BILLIARDS.

IRISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The second round of the Irish Amateur Championship was concluded last night in the Concert Hall, Catholic Club, Dublin, when after a very exciting finish C. Clancy beat G. Molloy by 10 points. Throughout it was a very contested game, and there was never much between the players except coming towards the closing stages, when Molloy led by 40. Clancy, playing the steadier game, pulled up, and the game was called "490 all." Molloy then had a fruitless visit to the table, breaking down at a difficult screw cannon, and Clancy got in to make the required number and to qualify for the semi-final round. The winner's best breaks were 42, 37, 35 (twice), 31, 27, 26 (twice), and 23, while Molloy made runs of 59, 41, 31, 28, 27 (twice), 23 and 20. Result:—

C. Clancy	500
G. Molloy	490

SMITH v. NEWMAN.

Smith was again in brilliant form at Newcastle yesterday, when his match with Newman was continued. During a session, which lasted only fifty-five minutes, he dominated the play, scoring his schedule breaks and averaging 222, while Newman added only 11. Smith took his unfinished break of 19 to 521, and, after an 81, ran to his points with 78 unfinished. Meanwhile Newman had added but 11 to his score in three innings. Interval scores:—Smith (in play), 12,666; Newman, 9,805.

At night Smith again had the better of play, with breaks of 114, 219, 289, and 71 unfinished. The champion's breaks were 155 and 106. Closing scores:—Smith (in play), 13,333; Newman, 10,181.

BOXING.

SCOTT AND GODDARD MATCHED.

Phil Scott and Frank Goddard have accepted Mr Harry Jacobs' purse of £1,000 for a twenty rounds contest at the Royal Albert Hall, London, on March 18th, for the heavy-weight championship of Great Britain. It is understood there will be a stake of £100 aside.

SELECTIONS FOR HURST PARK MEETING TO-DAY.

PAPER.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.	4.0 RACE.
Irish Times	Foxtrot.	Marterne or Rising Falcon.	Poole's selected.	Signet, each way.	Old Tay Bridge.	Tom Pinch.*
Do. (Galtee More)	Ben Cruchan; if ab., Foxtrot.	†	—	Treasurer.	Old Tay Bridge.	Woodend.
S. Life and Sportsman	Foxtrot.*	George G.	Redshank.	Cloth of Gold.	Sir Huon.	Bar le Duc.
Man on the Spot	Maxtoi.	Marterne.	Redshank.	Signet.	Snipe's Bridge.	Back Stair.*
Westminster Gazette	Ben Cruchan.	Marterne.	Redshank.	Treasurer.	Snipe's Bridge.	Woodend.
Daily Express	Maxtoi.*	Marterne; if ab., George G.	Fitzpicton; if ab., Honest Boy.	Signet, next best.	Darracq; if ab., Ammonal.	Woodend; if ab., Tom Pinch.
Daily Mirror	Maxtoi.	Greenhorn.	Silken Prince.	Signet.	Old Tay Bridge; if ab., French Leave.	Mizzen Mast.
Daily Graphic	Bennett's selected.	Kilkerran.*	Fleecy Wave.	Barrackton Lad.	French Leave.	Back Stair.
Star	Foxtrot.*	Marterne.	Redshank.	Treasurer.	Darracq.	Woodend.
Evening News	Foxtrot.	Marterne.	Moytura.	Signet.	Darracq.	Bar le Duc.
Evening Standard	Ben Cruchan.	Horace; if ab., Rising Falcon.	Silken Prince.	Signet.	Old Tay Bridge; if ab., Progress.	Tom Pinch.
Times	Maxtoi.	Greenhorn; if ab., Marterne.	Moytura; if ab., Silken Prince.	Signet; if ab., Spinney Hill.	Sir Huon.	Tom Pinch.

COURT ORDERS.

METHODS OF EXECUTING DECREES.

PROVISIONS OF NEW BILL.

The text of the Enforcement of Court Orders Bill, introduced by Mr. O'Higgins in the Dail last week, was published yesterday.

The purpose of the new measure is "to amend the law relating to the execution and enforcement generally of judgments and orders of Courts of Justice." The third section of the bill provides for the execution of execution orders of the High Court in the same manner as hitherto subject to the provisions of the present bill and of rules of court made under the Court of Justice Act, 1924.

A similar provision is inserted in respect of the execution of orders of the Circuit Court, with certain exceptions. No statutory provision or rule of court, for instance, which was in force before the beginning of Part II. of the Court of Justice Act, 1924, in relation to the execution of decrees or orders (whether for debt, possession of lands or otherwise), will apply to the execution of orders of the Circuit Court.

To assist him in the carrying out of execution orders, every under-sheriff is empowered by the new bill to appoint such number of court messengers as the Minister for Justice will sanction. These court messengers will hold office at the will of the Minister, and may be removed from office by the Minister, at the request of the under-sheriff, or on the Minister's own motion. A court messenger executing or assisting in the execution of an order will have all the powers of a bailiff employed by the under-sheriff for the purpose.

It will be the under-sheriff's duty to make an inventory of the chattels seized under an execution order. Certain chattels will be exempt from seizure—that is to say, the "necessary wearing apparel and bedding of the person against whom the execution is levied," together with the necessary wearing apparel and bedding of his family, and the tools and implements of his trade, not exceeding in the whole the value of £15.

SALE OF GOODS.

A sub-section of Clause 9 of the bill empowers the Under-Sheriff to be "the sole judge of the place or places at which any goods, animals or other chattels taken in execution by him can be sold to the best advantage, and no action shall lie against any Under-Sheriff on account of his having sold any such goods as aforesaid outside his bailiwick."

A further clause of the bill safeguards the validity of all purchases from the Under-Sheriff. The power of the Under-Sheriff to sell goods seized by him will not be affected by any interruption in the period of his custody of the goods; neither will any action lie against him for entering or breaking premises, provided that he has complied with the following conditions:—(1) That before breaking into any premises he has made reasonable efforts to enter peaceably and without violence; and (2) that he has had reasonable grounds for believing that there were some goods, animals or chattels on the premises.

Another clause of the bill provides that the Under-Sheriff will not be liable, in law, for seizing any goods that are claimed by the debtor's wife. Provision is also made for procuring the attendance of a debtor for examination as to his mean. If the debtor fails to lodge a statement of means or fails to attend for examination, the District Justice, if requested by the creditor, can order the debtor to pay the debt and costs of proceedings either in one payment or by such instalments as the Justice may think reasonable. On his failure to pay the debt or any of the instalments ordered, the debtor is liable to arrest and imprisonment for any period not exceeding three months. On payment of the whole amount or the instalment ordered in the decree of execution, however, the debtor will be entitled to immediate release.

NOT SATISFACTION.

The imprisonment of a doctor, it should be mentioned, will not operate "as a satisfaction or extinguishment of the debt or any part thereof, or deprive the creditor of any other rights or remedies for the recovery thereof." In certain cases a stay of execution will be granted by the Court. Clause 20 of the bill says:—

"Whenever judgment shall be given by any Court for payment of any sum of money by way of debt or damages by any person and the Court shall be satisfied at the time of giving such judgment—(a) that the debtor is unable to discharge by an immediate payment in full the said sum of money and all costs payable by him under the said judgment, and (b) that such inability is not occasioned by the debtor's own conduct, act, or default, and (c) that there is reasonable ground for granting to the debtor an extension of time in which to pay the said sum of money and costs, the Court may stay the execution of the judgment for such time as shall appear to the Court to be reasonable."

The new measure prescribes heavy penalties for the offence of resisting, obstructing, or impeding the under-sheriff or any of his assistants (police or others) in the lawful execution of an execution order.

TIME OF UNPARALLELED TRIAL.

STATE OF INDUSTRY IN BELFAST

Announcing that the record of specially reported crime was similar to that of the previous year—156 cases compared with 153—Lord Justice Andrews, addressing the Grand Jury at the opening of the Commission for the City of Belfast in the Crown Court yesterday, said that it would be apparent to all that the old sectarian and political animosities were dying away as time passed, and there was springing up amongst all classes and creeds of the community a conviction that in mutual toleration and co-operation lay the true well-being of their city.

He hoped that it might not be considered out of place for him to extend to them, on behalf of the citizens, his sympathy at the continued unsatisfactory state of industry in Belfast. The linen industry, and, almost to an equal degree, the shipyards had passed through, and were still unfortunately passing through, a period of unparalleled trial, involving great hardship and privation upon all ranks, even those of capital and of labour. It was to be hoped that the tide would soon turn, if, indeed, it had not already done so.

ENTERTAINMENT TAX.

COURSING CLUB FINED ON TWO SUMMONSES.

At Kilrush District Court on Tuesday, Matthew Lyons and Joseph Chambers were summoned jointly, as hon. secretaries to the Kilrush and Killimer Coursing Club, for breaches of the entertainment tax regulations.

According to the evidence of Mr. M. P. Neligan, Excise Officer, he paid 2s. 6d. as entrance fee for himself and a motor car to a coursing meeting, but was not issued a ticket. He paid 2s. for the admission of two friends, for whom tickets were issued, but those tickets were not collected for cancellation of the stamps. Later, when he applied for cancelled portions of tickets, only 150 were surrendered to him, although there were, at least, 2,500 people in the field and 50 motor cars.

District Justice Gleeson described the case as the worst he had yet heard, and, on each of two summonses, imposed a fine of £50, mitigated to £12 10s. 0d., or £25 in all. He understood that an agitation was proceeding for the exemption of coursing meetings from the entertainment tax, but until that agitation was successful, he said, the law would have to be observed.

HACKNEY LIMITATIONS.

JUSTICE MITIGATES £20 FINE TO A PENNY.

"I am mitigating it, not to one-fourth, but to a penny," said District Justice O'Donoghue at Portarlington on Wednesday, in imposing a fine of £20 on Michael Slevin, Ballybrittas, for using a motor car registered as a hackney for a private purpose.

The Justice observed that it was a monstrous thing that a licence to a man who got a car as a hackney did not allow him to go into a town himself or bring his wife to Mass.

LOWER TAXATION

ESSENTIAL FOR TRADE RECOVERY.

A strong plea for a reduction in taxation, which, he said, was essential to the country's economic well-being, was made yesterday by Mr. John McCann, who presided at the annual meeting in Dublin of the Grand Canal Company.

Mr. McCann said that of the many problems that required careful and immediate consideration in the Free State taxation, trade and transit stood out prominently in the order mentioned, and they were inter-dependent. Unless taxation and local rates were reduced trade could not improve, and until trade improved there could be no increase in the amount of traffic carried by the Grand Canal Company.

TAXATION, TRADE AND TRANSIT.

PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE FREE STATE.

"The first essential of good government," he said, "is the establishment of law and order, and we must warmly congratulate the Executive Council that, having taken over the reins of office when conditions were in a state of chaos, they have now restored the country to a peaceful condition, and the law is both respected and upheld.

"Having arrived at this stage, we should, however, carefully examine our position in order to ascertain how we can improve the business outlook, particularly for our main industry, agriculture, which is certainly in a state of acute depression. We should always keep it clearly before our minds that we are an agricultural country, and everything possible should be done to encourage and develop this industry. At a later date, when the outlook is improved, it will be good time to start the industries which are best suited to our need.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

"Let us face facts and figures, and admit that we cannot continue to pay the present enormous taxation. To use the President's own words in a recent speech: 'The country is taxed to the limits of its capacity.' 'It is taxed,' he says, 'beyond its power of endurance.' Our present condition might be compared to a patient recovering from a long illness, who requires rest and change, and the only medicine that will be of any use to pull us round is reduced taxation.

"It may be asked how this can be done? We are told that the Budget must be balanced, and if taxation is reduced that a deficit will result. What, however, is of far greater importance is that the country should be placed on its feet, and if a deficit has to be met for even a few years it is not of paramount importance. This country at present has a National Debt of only roughly 13½ millions, and if it is necessary to increase this by a few millions, so that the country may again find itself in a prosperous state, it would certainly be well spent money and a good investment.

"It is quite likely, however, that a reduction in taxation will result in a gain to the Exchequer, as, with increased business, higher profits will be earned and income tax will then be paid in many cases where none can be assessed at present.

"The point of view from which I regard the present position may not meet with the approval of strict economists, as objection may be raised to the possible increase of our National Debt to meet a deficiency of revenue account. Under normal conditions, I entirely agree that this would be a very unsound financial policy and utterly untenable. Conditions in Ireland, however, at present are quite abnormal owing to the troubled times of the past few years, in addition to the general world-wide depression, and it is absolutely essential that the country should be given a chance of recovering its normal strength. There is no reason for us to be pessimistic; in fact, quite the reverse, as we have a fine country with great possibilities of development, and, if the heavy burden of taxation is reduced for a few years, there is no country that should have better prospects.

HELPING THE FARMERS.

"The farmers are being urged by the Department of Agriculture to improve their methods, and there is no doubt that the advice given is on the proper lines, which will bear good results in the future. In many cases, however, the farmers—due to the present excessive taxation—have not the necessary means to carry out these improvements; whereas, if they can count on reduced rates and taxes, there would be a good chance of their acting on the instructions recommended.

"At the commencement of the past year we had to face a reduction in our rates, which was brought about by the railway rates being reduced by Order of the Railway Tribunal. Shortly before this Order became operative we found it necessary to reduce our wages bill, which, to some extent, met the loss of revenue occasioned by the reduction in our charges. For several months our revenue was depleted by reason of the strike of the employés of the Dublin coal merchants. This strike lasted several months, and, although the employés gained nothing by it, many industries, as well as this company, were much affected.

"This company has large interests on the River Shannon, having many stations between Limerick and Carrick-on-Shannon. Fearing that the electric scheme would interfere with the working of the navigation, we made representations to the Government department concerned, and in an interview were assured that everything possible would be done to give facilities for the continuation of our business.

"It has been stated that a sum considerably over £1,000,000 is to be spent on the drainage of the River Barrow. It is impossible to say what effect (if any) this scheme will have on the navigation between Athy and St. Mullins, which is the property of this company. When we are made aware of the particulars of the scheme, the matter will have the close attention of your directors.

READY FOR COMPETITION.

"Competition of a very severe kind still exists from road transport, which is not paying its fair share for the upkeep of the roads. We are, however, quite prepared to meet this new competition, and at present trials are being made on our system with a new design of iron-built boat, equipped with the latest type of motor engine, and so far these trials have been entirely successful. When we are satisfied with the tests made, we hope to place an order for a number of these boats, and they will be built in Dublin with Irish labour.

"I believe that there should be closer co-operation between road, rail and canal transport in the mutual interest of all concerned, and with resulting gain to the public. This is a matter which will require most careful consideration in the near future.

"In conclusion, I would like to thank our staff, who have worked with untiring energy during the past year under difficult conditions; the various departments have been most capably led by our General Manager, our Secretary and the Engineer."

THE DIVIDEND.

Dividends on the Preference Shares at 3 per cent. per annum and on the Ordinary Shares at 2 per cent. per annum, less income tax, were passed.

The directors were re-elected.

TEMPERANCE LECTURES.

APPEAL OF HIBERNIAN BAND OF HOPE.

Referring to the annual report (adopted), which stated that, notwithstanding a sum of £170, received as a result of a sale of work, the balance due to the bank at the end of 1925 was over £360, Mr. C. E. Jacob, President, at the annual meeting of the Hibernian Band of Hope Union, in Dublin recently, said that, in order to encourage the committee to obtain new subscriptions, he offered to add 50 per cent. to all such subscriptions obtained from the 1st February to the 31st May, 1926.

References were made to the work carried on by the Church of Ireland Temperance Society in the schools, and the Rev. R. K. Hanna (Moderator-elect of the General Assembly) gave his impressions from a visit to the United States, remarking that, on the whole, prohibition had been a tremendous benefit, and was not likely to be upset.

It was resolved to make a special appeal for further funds to carry on the work of school lecturing on hygiene and temperance.

PROBLEM OF THE ROADS.

NATIONAL LOAN ADVOCATED.

MINISTER'S REPLY.

"A QUESTION OF FINANCE."

THE problem of the Wicklow roads was brought before the Free State Minister for Local Government and Public Health yesterday by a deputation of the Wicklow County Council, who recently found that a sum of £55,000 would be necessary to maintain the county's roads in their present state.

Mr. David Frame, the Chairman of the Wicklow Council, in his statement, suggested that the future maintenance charges for roads should be reduced by the floating of a National Road Loan for the construction of roads for modern motor traffic.

The Minister for Local Government, in his reply, informed the deputation that he was impressed by the force of their arguments, but that the question was largely, if not entirely, one of finance.

He said that he was satisfied that County Wicklow roads carried a large amount of special traffic, and that normally its share in the Road Fund should be determined with advertence to this fact.

He said that he had already fully considered the desirability of issuing a loan on the security of the motor taxes, but this was not a matter within his control. He promised the deputation to give special consideration to the case put before him.

NATIONAL ROAD LOAN.

HOW MAINTENANCE CHARGES COULD BE REDUCED.

Mr. C. M. Byrne briefly reviewed the history of the predecessors of the present Council, and said that during five very troubled years they had succeeded in doing very well in Wicklow. In 1914 they were spending about £16,000 on roads, which gradually came up to £42,000 in 1923, and which was reduced to somewhere about £30,000 in 1924-25.

Mr. David Frame, in his statement, pointed out that during the current financial year the sum of £30,000 has been levied upon the Wicklow ratepayers for road maintenance, and an additional sum of approximately £10,000 has been received from the Motor Taxation Fund. For the present year a sum of approximately £55,000, in addition to whatever grant they received from the Motor Taxation Fund, was the minimum necessary to maintain the various roads in the county in a condition not less defective than they have been for the last two years.

ANOTHER 2s. 6d. IN THE £.

If the difference between £30,000 and £55,000 had to be levied upon ratepayers, it would mean an increased rate of over 2s. 6d. per £1 valuation. Already demands for an increased rate levy of between 1s. and 2s. per £1 had been made for other local government services.

"In our considered and unanimous opinion," added Mr. Frame, "it is utterly impossible to hope that any seriously increased contribution can possibly be obtained from the ratepayers of Wicklow County during the coming financial year. The evidence of this inability is manifold, but the fact that we have been unable, by means of legal proceedings, to collect anything like the full rates for the current year, should in itself be sufficiently convincing.

"The Council have, therefore, unanimously and finally decided, that there are only two clear courses before them for roads maintenance in the coming financial year. They are:—

(a)—to regard £30,000 as the maximum possible sum which could, under any circumstances, be raised from the ratepayers, and to allow the roads of the principal tourist county in Ireland to depreciate seriously; or

(b)—to obtain a sum of £25,000 for necessary maintenance purposes from the State as a free grant for the coming financial year.

It was submitted that this grant would be fully justified upon the grounds that thousands of motorists from Dublin and tourists from all over the world use the roads of Wicklow for pleasure purposes, with no benefit to the farmers of the county, and with little benefit to hotel-keepers and other ratepayers.

THREAT TO CLOSE ROAD.

"While by no means oblivious to the national value of tourist development and pleasure motoring, we feel bound to consider the interests of the agricultural community as having a prior claim upon our attention," the statement went on. "In pursuance of this attitude, we have decided, with the utmost reluctance, that, in the absence of the State grant which we have asked for, it will be our duty to close the main road from Dublin to Glendalough against the use of char-a-bancs and motor lorries, of which many hundreds weekly pass during each summer. The only alternative to this decision would be expenditure upon the Glendalough road of funds which are urgently necessary for other roads which are of much greater value to the farming community.

PERMANENT RECONSTRUCTION.

"So far I have dealt alone with the finance necessary for maintenance purposes. Until our roads have been so reconstructed as to be suitable for modern motor transport, we see no hope whatever that the present extravagant cost of maintenance can be reduced. And, indeed, we clearly foresee the necessity for even heavier demands upon State finance in the future than the demand that we are now compelled to make.

"The statement which you, sir, made in Dail Eireann last July, and which indicated a substantial expenditure of something approaching £4,000,000 upon road reconstruction, raised our hopes that permanent reconstruction, and consequently diminished maintenance charges, would have begun in our county before now. The fact that this scheme has been withdrawn, or indefinitely postponed, has tended to mislead us, as members of the County Council, in our anticipation of the amount necessary for road maintenance during the coming financial year.

"We had also hoped that the expenditure of portion of this £4,000,000 in our county would have helped to relieve unemployment, and, by the dissemination of expenditure in the county, would have enabled ratepayers to meet rate demands."

SUGGESTED NATIONAL LOAN.

The deputation suggested that future maintenance charges should be reduced by the construction of roads suitable for modern motor traffic, and said that such reconstruction can only be undertaken upon the basis of a national road loan, floated upon the security of Saorstat Eireann.

"If such a loan were raised, and its product efficiently administered, we are satisfied that its annual charges could be met, so far as our county is concerned, by—

(a)—The annual sums which we would be entitled to receive in future from the Motor Taxation Fund; and

(b)—A proportion of the present annual charges which would be saved from the present extravagant charges for the maintenance of roads which have not been constructed for motor traffic.

"We, therefore, most respectfully, but definitely, urge that the moment has come at which—

(a)—Special and adequate consideration should be given by the Government to the present financial emergency; and

(b)—That our Council should be placed in a position to incur capital expenditure upon reconstruction of our main roads.

"We feel that it is our duty to inform the Government that under no circumstances would we make ourselves responsible for any increased road expenditure from rates. To put the matter quite plainly, we have decided that, unless the Government provide the necessary financial facilities to enable us to discharge responsibilities for road maintenance which the Government have cast upon our shoulders, we propose that the Government should themselves assume responsibility for the finance and administration of roads in our county."

£60,000 IRISH ESTATE.

FAMILY DISPUTE IN LONDON COURTS.

The hearing was continued in the Chancery Court, London, yesterday, before Mr. Justice Eve of the action brought by Mrs. Margaret Marion Atherton Mims, of Parliament Hill Mansions, Highgate road, London, against Mrs. Kathleen V. F. S. Lloyd-Davies, the Cot, Cirencester; Mrs. Evelyn Mary Warren Howe, of Howe's Strand, Co. Cork; Mr. Henry Franks, of Woodbrook, Mountrath, Queen's County, and Mrs. Charlotte A. P. Pratt, of Compasse Hill, Kinsale, County Cork, arising out of a dispute concerning a £60,000 estate.

The residue of the estate, it appeared, was bequeathed by Mr. Robert Heard, the plaintiff's brother, to Mrs. Lloyd-Davies, Mrs. Howe, and another sister, now dead. After the funeral of Robert the plaintiff alleged that her two sisters agreed to share the estate with her, so that she would take one-third of it.

Mr. Gover, K.C., continuing his opening statement, read correspondence between the parties. In one letter from Mrs. Howe to Mrs. Mims, Mrs. Howe said that she had no intention of signing a deed, and that anything she gave Mrs. Mims would be of her own free will. A letter by Mrs. Lloyd-Davies mentioned that her affairs were in order, and "we shall be able to wash our hands of the Green Isle, and have a decent London lawyer, and I am as free as air. It is strange to be dealing with honest people."

Dealing with the defences Mr. Gover said that Mrs. Lloyd-Davies denied the agreement alleged by the plaintiff. She said that on the occasion of the brother's funeral she voluntarily, and without consideration, offered to give up a portion of her share in her brother's estate to the plaintiff, who expressed disappointment that she had not benefited under the will. There was no question of any dispute, compromise, or family arrangement. Later on Mrs. Davies altered her intention, and executed a bond for £2,500, under which the plaintiff became entitled to an annuity of £120 a year. This annuity had, Mrs. Davies said, been paid regularly to the plaintiff. Mrs. Howe's defence was that she never made any agreement with the plaintiff, as alleged. She said that she voluntarily, and without consideration, offered to give the plaintiff a portion of her share in the brother's estate. A deed to give effect to this intention was prepared, but was never executed. Later Mrs. Howe said that she decided to limit her gift to the plaintiff to a life interest in one-third share in her moiety of the brother's estate, and eventually she decided to limit her gift to the plaintiff to £950, and this had been paid.

Mrs. Mims, the plaintiff, having given evidence, the hearing was adjourned.

AIDS TO HOUSE-BUILDING.

VALUE OF UTILITY SOCIETIES.

"Since the housing shortage is notorious, investments in such societies must be regarded as first class recurities," said Mr. W. J. Byrne in the course of an address on, "Public Utility Societies," delivered at a meeting of the Central Housing Council, held last night at the Mansion House, Dublin. The Rev. J. C. Crozier spoke on "Auxiliary Utility Societies."

Mr. Byrne said that the purpose of the Central Housing Council is to get people to build houses for themselves. The housing problem, he proceeded, is one we have inherited, and we are too much inclined to try to place the blame for it on some particular class, and to do nothing to remedy it. The ambition we have deep in all our hearts is to do something to save the country, and we can do little to save the country if we do not believe in it, and are not prepared to do something practical to improve the state of affairs. The essence of public utility societies is a scheme of co-operation, which has been carried through successfully in Dublin and on the Continent. In England there are about 89 societies working under the various Housing Acts. The pioneer in this respect in Ireland is the Rev. D. H. Hall, who has taught us what can be done, and shown us how to do it.

A DEFINITION.

A Public Utility Society may be defined as a society registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act. A society may consist of only eight persons who subscribe their names to a book of rules, which is registered under the Friendly Societies. A Utility Society is different from other societies of the kind, since it aims at the actual building of houses, and does not merely finance loans and advance money. There is urgent need of adequate support of the societies already existing. The large investor is not inclined at the moment to invest in housing schemes; the rate of interest is not attractive enough. The Utility Society is debarred from paying more than 6 per cent.

The present facilities afforded by our Housing Act are generous, but they should be increased, if at all possible. At present any person prepared to build a five-roomed house will get a grant of £200, and the Dublin Commissioners will advance a loan of £200 in addition, and there is a remission of rates: only a twentieth is payable the first year, increasing by a twentieth each year for twenty years, after which the full amount is payable.

A CENTRAL FUND.

To obtain the balance required to complete the price of the house it is desirable that a large central fund should be available for the utility societies.

The Rev. J. C. Crozier explained the workings of the auxiliary utility society established in his parish for people who are unable to invest in the £10 Housing Bonds issued by the public utility societies. Sums of 5s. are accepted, and after £1 has been invested interest at 5 per cent. is paid. Each £10 collected in this way by the auxiliary society is invested in the public utility society.

Mr. Crozier's society has only been in existence for a month and has got in nearly £100. There is no charge for transfer of money from an auxiliary society to Mr. D. H. Hall's society. Any money invested can be drawn out by giving a month's notice.

TIPPERARY NOW.

SERIES OF RAIDS ON SLOT GAS METERS.

Tipperary police are investigating a series of raids on slot gas meters, which took place on Wednesday night, when at least three establishments in James's street were broken into by—it is supposed—a gang of juveniles.

At Mr. Frank Byrne's hairdressing establishment entrance was effected by pushing aside a broken panel in the lower part of the front door. The lock of the gas meter was forced open, obviously with a hair clippers (which was afterwards found beside it), and a sum computed at about 5s. was taken.

At Mr. Daniel Ryan's harness-making premises a broken pane of glass in the shop window was removed, and an aperture made, by which the meter, which is located in the window, could be reached. The impression of a key was found on a piece of white paper, which the gas company's employés had left in the lock on the occasion of their last visit; but the raiders' attempt to open the lock had proved unsuccessful.

At Mr. W. G. Evans's cycle warehouse entrance was also effected by removing a loose pane of glass in the shop window. Here also the attempt to open the lock by means of a key failed. A number of flash lamp batteries are missing from the premises.

MONAGHAN EX-SERVICE MEN.

Following on the appointment of a local Relief Committee in connection with the British Legion Relief Fund, ex-Service men of Monaghan and district on Wednesday resolved to establish a branch of the Legion.

Over 100 men attended Wednesday's meeting, notwithstanding the fact that it was summoned within working hours, and all raised their hands in approval when the resolution to form a branch was put by Major Tynan, Chief of the Free State Headquarters of the Legion.

Mr. E. Wolff, who was chief accountant of Reuter's Agency for 48 years, has died at the age of 76

WARRING SECTIONS IN INDUSTRY.

THE USE OF THE STRIKE WEAPON.

SUGGESTIONS AT LAW STUDENTS' SOCIETY.

The Chief Justice of the Free State presided last night at the inaugural meeting of the 96th session of the Law Students' Debating Society of Ireland, in King's Inns, Henrietta street, Dublin. "Industrial Strife," which was the subject of a paper read by the Auditor, Mr. S. F. Stapleton, was discussed from the labour and employers' point of view, and the best thanks of the Society were voted to the Auditor.

A REVIVAL.

LAWYERS AND IRISH.

The Chairman said that the occasion marked the revival of that debating society, which at one time had a position of prestige and distinction in the city that was quite up to any similar society. Those were the days in which the late Lord Justice FitzGibbon presided at the debates, and when the citizens of Dublin thronged to that Hall to hear his magnificent eloquence. During the Great War they ceased to hold inaugural meetings there, and it was only last year that they again began to hold them. The students had set to work and had pulled the society together in numbers and finance to such an extent that they were able to face the world again in the hope of restoring the society to its former position.

This year had marked its revival by a new feature, which he, for one, hoped would be one of its most marked features in the future. For the first time they had a debating society of this kind conducting a series of debates in the national language of the country. He hoped that students would increase in their interest and attention to these debates, and that they would realise that they must not look on the national language as something in the nature of a mere accomplishment, but that they must regard it as something which they must acquire and possess with the history of their country if they were to be worthy of fulfilling the functions of the lawyers of Ireland; because to the lawyers more than to anybody else was ultimately entrusted the defence of liberty and of national *status*.

AUDITOR'S ADDRESS.

Mr. S. F. Stapleton, Auditor, in his address on "Industrial Strife," suggested that, as nations had decided in favour of the adjustment of differences by peaceful means, the warring sections in the realms of industry might try to do likewise, and he urged the importance of a spirit of compromise and the promotion of mutual undertakings. The case of Australia presented what was probably the greatest effort which had so far been made to eliminate strife from the sphere of industrial activity; and the recent history of the adjustment of industrial disputes in Germany was also of great interest as throwing some light on the arbitration principle. In the home countries the wages board and arbitration systems had been tried to a certain extent in an experimental way, but the result achieved would not lead one to expect that, without some drastic alteration, any ready means was provided of finding a solution of industrial warfare.

The comparative failure to evolve a satisfactory means of adjusting industrial disputes compelled one to a closer analysis of the causes which produced industrial strife. The historic contest between the two great parties would seem in its later developments to be the manifestation of inevitable conflict between two incompatible systems—the one established and founded on a traditional arrangement of society; the other virtually untried and consisting of a variable collection of economic and social theories. These two rival systems may be described loosely as Capitalism and Socialism. They were usually regarded as being mutually exclusive, and it would, therefore, appear that the object of each must be the destruction of the other. A fundamental difficulty arose—how to establish a basis of peace between the adherents of two such systems. Where was the ground for common understanding?

THE STRIKE WEAPON.

To reduce the matter to the concrete, a strike should be regarded as something more than a struggle to secure a present advantage; it was also part of a general scheme for the overthrow of the existing social and economic system. What, then, was the use of telling strikers that they were ruining industry if their ultimate object was the defeat of the existing industrial order?

Regarding the problem in this, its extremist, expression, there would appear to be no prospect of enduring peace between Capital and Labour. The fight must go on until one or both were involved in ruin. Assuming that the reason for the failure to secure any general and conclusive success in the working of the arbitration system was the inherent antipathy and destructive warfare of the two systems, the second aspect of the case, namely, the contest between Capitalism and Socialism, was the true one to consider.

It was probably true to say that, on the whole, the Labour movements in Ireland and the neighbouring countries were not revolutionary in the sense of having abandoned all notions of advancing their cause by constitutional means, and of being prepared to attempt at any time the overthrow of the existing order by force. Armed force might, it was suggested, be ruled out as a material factor in the industrial situation in this country. They then came to the consideration of the second method by which a radical change in the arrangement of society might be accomplished—that was the promotion of industrial strife, with a view to the ultimate collapse of the capitalistic system. That might be regarded as a sub-division of the physical force method. It was more subtle and insidious, and, therefore, better calculated adversary. It was almost inevitably bound lated to be successful against a strong to result in violent conflict, as it was not to be supposed that the supporters of the existing order would surrender without putting up a stiff fight.

MODERN EXPERIMENTS.

Concluding, the Auditor said that the three forms of modern industrial development—co-partnership, profit-sharing and co-operation—indicated the tendency to replace the existing industrial system by a better one, in a slow and cautious fashion. These experiments had, on the whole, met with uniform success, and, while their progress had been slow, it had been sure and cumulative. Employers and workers should endeavour to cultivate a true appreciation of the industrial situation. It was idle and dangerous to attempt to stem the onward flow of the tide of democracy. Socialism had ceased to be a bogey in the public mind, and had come to be regarded as a system of political and economic philosophy. The workers, on the other hand, should not attempt to force the advent of reforms which might be achieved with safety by constitutional development.

It was imperative that, with the present state of our national finances, the limitations of the strike weapon should be recognised. The public were desirous that the workers should get reasonable remuneration for their labour, but they were not prepared to countenance the holding up of the nation's industry at a time of great economic depression. This is the moral of the Shannon dispute. The winning of elections may be fraught with greater portent of good to the labour cause than the winning of strikes. In a young State such as ours it behoves us to watch the world movements carefully lest we find ourselves left behind in the race.

THE QUESTION OF PRODUCTION.

Mr. J. C. M. Eason, O.B.E., P.C., proposing that the auditor deserved the best thanks of the Society for his address, said that everyone would agree that the paper in every respect was worthy of the honoured traditions of that great Society.

The real need of the situation, he said, was not the question of how they were to divide up their wealth, but how they were to produce sufficient to meet the requirements of the community. What they wanted was to restore more scope to the individual, more opportunity for initiative by the employer in the development of his business, and a greater equilibrium between effort and reward.

With regard to the question: "What prevents production?" he said that the problem would be solved by the doing away with the narrow lines of demarcation which had grown up at an alarming extent in the trade union movement. Trade unions had performed a useful function in the past, and that was why it was all the more regrettable that they should impair that usefulness by the action that they took so often with regard to the introduction of new inventions and the progress and reorganisation of industry. In Dublin they had some labour - saving machinery that had never been used to its fullest scope, and some had been never used at all.

THE REAL PROBLEM.

The employer and employé were contending against forces which they were not powerful enough to resist—both had to meet competition. Wages was not the real problem in disputes, but wages would have to come down more than they had come. The farming community was receiving 40 to 50 per cent. more than it did in pre-war for its products, but it was paying 100 to 150 per cent. more for the goods it consumed. That was the problem to be faced.

They needed to try and free individuals from the shackles which society had always tried to press upon them, and try to preserve the instinct of enterprise necessary to industry in the world as a whole. (Applause.)

THE WORKMAN.

Mr. Johnson, T.D., seconding the resolution, congratulated the Auditor on his paper. It was, he said, misleading to lay emphasis on political or revolutionary strikes. From the time of the Plan of Campaign to the anti-conscription strike there had been no political strikes in this country. A great many industrial strikes arose from other causes than that of wage disputes. Abuse of authority and petty tyranny were the causes of many. As to Mr. Eason's suggestion of new methods of production, that was a matter of great importance. The difficulty of the problem was that leading statesmen, politicians and others had the habit of thinking of and regarding workmen as something different from the human being. They spoke of the workman as an instrument of production, and in his (Mr. Johnson's) view they would not arrive at any method by which they would solve the problems of industry or prevent strife until workmen were dealt with as human beings as distinct from instruments of production. (Applause.)

Commenting on the suggestion regarding the restriction of production, he referred to the Shannon dispute, which, he said, epitomised the whole problem. A great engineering scheme was to be worked out by modern methods—science and mechanical ingenuity. Where did the human element come into the machines? Instead of machines being considered to help the man to greater production and benefit they had the machines being used to cut down the general level of the working man. That position was defended by publicists and leaders on the grounds that it was a matter of supply and demand. That was that labour was to be bought in the cheapest market, and if the supply was greater than the demand the price would come down. If that prevailed how could they work any scheme of arbitration or conciliation? Until employers and spokesmen remove that idea from their minds they were not going to solve industrial strife, and would not bring about anything like peace or prosperity.

AT THE CROSS-ROADS.

This country, he said was at a stage of industrial development or industrial decline, when there was need for the pulling together of all parties in industry. There should, if possible, be a period of truce as between the antagonistic forces. That period of truce might be used to find out whether it was possible to advise ways and means of avoiding conflicts, which had been inevitable in every other country following a different course of industrial development. This might be purely idealistic, but he was not so sure that it would not be worth while trying. All elements that made industry could co-operate, and the problems would be very much sooner solved if they got these elements on the same plane. (Applause).

The resolution was adopted.

THE MIND OF THE COUNTRY.

Mr. Albert E. Wood, K.C., proposing that the Law Students' Debating Society of Ireland deserved the support of the Bench and Bar of Ireland, said that the auditor's paper showed that the mind of their country was changing from political questions to social and economic problems. Forms of government and political policies he had never believed in as solutions for the problems that faced men and women. Notwithstanding all the ages through which the ruling classes had held the land, the wealth, the Army and the Navy, there were millions unemployed, and the poor grew poorer and the rich grew richer still.

What they had to do was to look down deeper than the mere question of wages and of strikes. Nature had provided for each child born into the world adequate food, shelter and clothing. The land was nature's gift to man; wealth was to be the gardener's fruits of toil; and they all asked themselves what was it that stood between each child and nature's endowment; and the only answer they could find was this—Greed, rapacity, and ferocity of men. Until there was a change in the outlook in the mind of the community they could not hope for improvement in the industrial outlook. Until the employing classes realised that there was something more in social and economic laws than the reduction of wages and increase of hours they could not hope for a solution.

Mr. James Geoghegan, K.C., seconded the resolution, which was passed unanimously.

The following prizes were presented:—

Oratory.—President's Gold Medal—Mr. S. F. Stapleton. President's Silver Medal—Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, B.L.

Legal Debate.—Plunket Gold Medal—Mr. J. J. Byrne, B.A. Plunket Silver Medal—Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, B.L.

David Lynch Silver Medal.—Mr. S. F. Stapleton.

C. Kendal Bushe Silver Medal—P. Bourke, M.A., ex-Scholar (Senior Moderator), T.C.D.

Oratory and Legal Debate.—Governor-General's Prize—Mr. S. F. Stapleton.

Legal Practice.—FitzGibbon Gold Medal—Mr. J. J. Byrne, B.A.

KILKENNY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY SHOW.

The Kilkenny Agricultural Society, Limited, will hold their tenth annual show and sale of shorthorn, Aberdeen-Angus, dairy herd, and non-pedigree bulls, and also first and second-year-old heifers the progeny of registered dairy cows, at their well-known Show Grounds, St. James's Park, Kilkenny, on Wednesday, 31st March next.

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FUNERAL OF MR. KEITH FRASER MALCOLMSON.

The funeral of Mr. Keith Fraser Malcolmson took place yesterday from his late residence, 5 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, to Mount Jerome Cemetery. The Rev. H. Stewart officiated at the Service.

The chief mourners were:—

George F. Malcolmson (brother); Mary F. Medlycott and Charlotte F. McClintock (sisters); George V. Malcolmson, John T. Medlycott and George B. Medlycott (nephews); Emilie M. Malcolmson, Eileen A. Malcolmson and Constance M. Stone (nieces); William Malcolmson and Thomas Stone (cousins); and the general public included Colonel J. O'Reilly, representing President Cosgrave; T. N. Atkinson, F. K. H. Baker, H. R. Tweedy, Richard Tweedy, Douglas Black, Captain David Ruttledge, C. Whitehead, William H. Atkinson, William J. Robertson (Waterford), Dr. David O'Reilly, J. F. Moriarty, F. Pilkington, C. H. Chaytor, H. Ussher, the Warden of St. Columba's College, C. Baillie Gage, Philip O'Connell, Ernest Bellaney, the Rev. John O'Reilly, R. Freeman, T. J. Fleming, T. A. Fleming, Harry O'Reilly, Bertram O'Reilly, Frank Bethell, Richard Clark, Thomas Neary, Godfrey Goodbody, J. H. H. Peard, H. Peard, Innis E. Gibson, E. F. Lewis, G. H. B. Kennedy, George Thornley, Sir Simon Maddock, R. J. Bailey, W. Barnardo, Miss Briscoe, S. Waterhouse, W. R. Heard, Roland Richards, Dr. Hackett, George Witherington, G. Lavell, I. Bradlaw, Captain Meredith, H. Mitchell, T. Thornton, Major R. Power, Mrs. Clark, J. Clark, H. E. Clark, J. Johnston, the Rev. R. Watson, R. J. Duggan, J. Nugent, F. Warner, M. P. Byrne, Dudley White, K.C.; Dr. T. H. Croly, Dr. O'Sullivan, J. T. Wallace, Dermot McDermott, R. T. P. Tweedy, H. Tweedy, B. Smith, John Byrne, W. Murphy, A. Barraclough, Colonel Grogan, Colonel Lyndon Lloyd, J. Pasley, W. Pasley, D. O'M. Leahy, S. Dawson Cloughran, W. Valentine, F. Sugden, W. E. Manning, Richard Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. Ridgeway, Captain Harrison, Hal McDermott, L. Brabazon, C. Brabazon, A. D. Comyn, J. H. Locke, Arthur McCann, W. V. Seddall, E. C. Harte, J. C. Sullivan, Tom F. Lewin, R. Rice, the Rev. Father Stafford, G. Waters, Raymond Stephenson, P. Cullinan, T. Levins Moore, B. W. Whyte, Dr. Robinson, Andrew Dickson, F. Horne, John Drennan, B. Smith, W. Morrison Gibb, Mrs. Eleanor Gibb, W. P. Hinton, H. J. Kirwan, George Watson, E. J. Hoper, R. H. Scott, C. Briscoe, Dr. Boyer, Frank Flanagan, Frank Nugent, J. H. Russell and A. F. Nolan.

Wreaths were sent by:—Mrs. Medlycott, Mr. McClintock, the Medlycott nieces and nephews, Emilie George and Aileen Malcolmson; Grace and Eva Malcolmson, Mrs. Ussher Roberts, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. Gibson Black, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, Nurse Cutler, Mr. and Mrs. Peard, Doctor and Mrs. Leech, Mrs. Atkinson, Doctor and Mrs. O'Reilly, T. N. Atkinson, Chris. Whitehead, W. H. Atkinson, John Fraser, F., T.C.D.; "From all at 13 Hume street," Captain David Ruttledge, Doctor and Mrs. Black, Maxwell Arnott, T. J. Lewin, Douglas Black, Mrs. Croft, Doctor and Mrs. Boyer, Mrs. E. M. Gibb and Mrs. Nann, Miss F. Briscoe, "Daddy" Owen, M. and Mrs. Hayden, J. H. Chaytor, W. Murphy, W. J. Robertson, F. R. Ridgeway, Andrew Dickson, Harry Ussher, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Mitchell.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr. Alfred G. Waller, of Denzille street, Dublin.

THE LATE MR. ROBERT HALL.

The regret caused by the death of Mr. Robert Hall, of Glanmire, Co. Cork, was demonstrated yesterday, when a large and representative assemblage, drawn from all classes of the community, accompanied his remains to St. Lappin's Graveyard, Little Island. Before the funeral a Service was held at Glanmire Church, at which the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross (the Right Rev. Dr. Dowse), assisted by Dean Babington and the Rev. Mr. Tuckey, Rector, officiated.

The chief mourners included:—Mr. and Mrs. Aylmer Hall, H. Burlton, Norman Hall, Professor and Mrs. Cummins, Miss K. Hall, Mrs. C. Patterson, Mrs. Lyle Cummins, Ashley Cummins, the Archdeacon of Macclesfield (the Ven. J. H. Thorpe), and F. H. Hall, Dublin.

The attendance of the general public included:—Canon Roche, Parish Priest, Glanmire; Sir Henry Forde, A. Antimavich, London; Major Perry, C. Webb Mallow; Capt. Townsend, Colonel M'Kenzie, J. Crosbie (Bank of Ireland), J. P. Howard (Munster and Leinster Bank), F. Halliman, Midleton; James Dwyer, Capt. Nicholson, M. Kelleher, Tralee; Major Halliman, R. C. Hall, Liverpool; Albert St. John Murphy, Fitzjames Murphy, D. F. Doyle, P. H. Meade, G. C. Mercier, C. D. H. Chapman, F. J. Daly, Chairman, Harbour Board; Sir John Scott, and Canon Healy.

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A PUBLIC MEETING
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TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
AT 4 P.M.,
TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE
LINDEN CONVALESCENT HOME
WHICH HAS SUFFERED SO MUCH FROM THE RECENT FLOODS.
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL has kindly intimated his intention of being present.
The Speakers will include:—
PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.
LORD GLENAVY.
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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—The main centres of low pressure are situated south of Greenland and north of Scotland. A warm south-westerly current from the southern part of the North Atlantic appears likely to spread over the whole of the British Isles, causing generally cloudy weather, with rain or drizzle at times in most districts.

N.W., S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, fresh to strong at times; mainly cloudy; occasional rain or drizzle; visibility moderate to good; mild.

N.E., Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, fresh to strong at times; mainly cloudy; occasional rain or drizzle; visibility moderate to good; rising temperature.

All Irish Seaboards.—Wind south-westerly, fresh to strong at times, perhaps reaching a gale; mainly cloudy; occasional rain or drizzle; visibility moderate to good; sea rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall Barometers and Thermometers. 12 Suffolk Street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

SUN.

To-day.... Rises ..	7.37	Sets	5.42
To-morrow.. ..	7.35	,, ...	5.44
Lighting-up Time		....	6.42

HIGH WATER—DUBLIN.

To-day.... Morning	4.19	Afternoon	4.45
To-morrow.. ,, ,,	5.15	,, ...	5.48

President Coolidge is still suffering from a heavy cold, and is confined to his bed, says Reuter's Washington Correspondent.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1926.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The text of the Enforcement of Court Orders Bill was issued yesterday. We print a summary of its main provisions.—(Page 8.)

Details of the agreement whereby the Imperial Treasury will meet the greater part of the deficiency on the Northern Ireland Unemployment Insurance Fund were published last night.—(Page 8.)

Strong protests against the provisions of the Statistics Bill, which would enable the Government to compel a bank to disclose the state of private accounts, were made yesterday by several business men.—(Page 7.)

Polling took place yesterday in County Dublin and Leix and Offaly. In the former constituency not more than 30 per cent. of the electors voted.—(Page 7.)

The question of a National Road Loan was raised by a deputation of the Wicklow County Council in an interview with the Free State Minister for Local Government.—(Page 5.)

Speaking at Bangor, Co. Down, yesterday, Sir James Craig said that the Governments of the North and South must turn their minds from the matters that had divided them in the past, and concentrate on those matters which made for the prosperity not only of their own areas, but of Ireland as a whole.—(Page 5.)

The development of the tourist traffic in Ireland was the subject of an address by Mr. M. F. Keogh, General Manager, Great Southern Railways, at the Publicity Club luncheon in Dublin yesterday.—(Page 7.)

Eight members of the crew of the Tenby Castle reached Dublin yesterday *en route* for Swansea. The mystery of the sinking of the Cardigan Castle is still unsolved, but one of the crew was found adrift in a boat with the ship's dog.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The House of Commons last night ratified the Iraq Treaty, and by 265 votes to 116 rejected the Labour Party's amendment declining to extend the period for which Great Britain accepted responsibility in regard to the mandated territory.—(Page 8.)

The wireless operators' strike was settled at the Ministry of Labour in London last night, and the men are returning to work immediately.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Windsor yesterday Loyal Scot won the Royal Handicap Hurdle Race.—(Page 4.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were steady. Rubber Shares were irregular, with a majority of falls in prices.—(Page 10.)

Loans were again in ample supply in Lombard street, and overnight advances were made at 4½-4 per cent. Discount rates were easier.—(Page 10.)

In Dublin Guinness Shares closed at 70¼ x.d., almost unchanged. Courtaulds improved to 136s. 3d. and Great Southern Ord. rose to 20.—(Page 10.)

A National Over-draft.

The Free State's financial condition and its remedies were discussed very frankly yesterday by Mr. John McCann, who presided at the annual meeting of the Grand Canal Company in Dublin. Mr. McCann traces all our troubles back to the undeniable fact that the country is being taxed beyond the limit of its reasonable capacity. No improvement can be expected until this burden is lightened. Farmers cannot make badly needed reforms in their industry because they have not the money to spare; and business men of all kinds are in a like case. Taxes are so high that profits virtually have disappeared. Money which, in the ordinary course of events, would be used for the development of trade is being earmarked for purposes of taxation. Mr. McCann declares that taxes must be reduced at once. The Minister for Finance will be preparing his Budget in the near future, and, if his advisers have kept him abreast of public opinion throughout the country, he must recognise the widespread demand for relief. The people have borne the load of heavy taxes for several years. They have not grumbled much, because they have realised the Government's many difficulties and the splendid efforts which it has been making to restore conditions of law and order to the country. Now, however, they are coming to the end of their endurance. They are living at a loss, and cannot continue to support a burden of taxes which, in dead-weight reckoning, is heavier than that of any other nation in the world.

How can relief be afforded to the taxpayer? Revenue must be found to meet the constantly growing calls on the national purse, and, even on the existing scale of taxes, the Government has some difficulty in balancing the annual Budget. Mr. McCann propounds a solution, which, he admits, will not be approved by orthodox economists—namely, that the Minister for Finance shall not worry about the balancing of his Budget for a few years, but shall meet his deficit by borrowing. Let us say at once that this is a highly dangerous doctrine, and that, in normal circumstances, no responsible Government would accept it lightly. France has proved the perils of borrowing for purposes of current expenditure, and her example ought to be a deterrent to every other nation. The circumstances of the Free State, however, as Mr. McCann points out, are not normal. The recent agreement with His Majesty's Government has removed the menace of a huge national debt from our path, and our total indebtedness to-day does not exceed £14,000,000. Mr. McCann holds, therefore, that Mr. Blythe ought to take his courage in both hands and reduce taxation without delay, leaving his balance at the end of the year more or less to take care of itself. Possibly there would be no loss of revenue, since lower taxation means brisker trade and a bigger turn-over; but even on the assumption that a deficit would be inevitable, Mr. McCann argues that no great harm would be done. The national debt would be increased by a couple of millions of pounds, but the loss to the Exchequer would be "well-spent money and a good investment."

Parsimony at the present stage of the Free State's development would be very bad business. Money is needed for many essential purposes of social and economic reform. Take the problem of the roads. There seems to be a possibility of the closing down of the road from Dublin to Glendalough for lack of funds to keep it in proper repair. Money must be found for urgent matters of this kind, and, unless the Government should decide to raise a substantial reconstruction loan in the near future, we cannot see any reasonable alternative to Mr. McCann's suggestion, risky as it undoubtedly is. The actual alternative is maintenance of the existing scale of taxes—if not, indeed, its increase; and we do not need to lay stress on the utter impossibility of this course. Is the nation justified in increasing its overdraft by, say, £2,000,000 or £3,000,000? A reduction in income tax and the abolition of the corporations profits tax assuredly would give a great stimulus to trade. Such relief to the taxpayer would release capital that to-day is idle. It would increase real, as opposed to paper, wages; it would encourage business enterprise in a thousand ways, and it would give the long-suffering farmer a chance to market his produce in England with some hope of success against his rivals. On the other hand, of course, there is the danger that budgeting for a deficit might lead to frivolous expenditure, with calamitous results. When all has been said and done, however, the essential fact remains. Without reduced taxation the Free State will be doomed. Mr. McCann's proposal, at least, offers a possible way of escape, and until a better way is suggested it must hold the field.

Tourists and Hotels.

The development of the Irish tourist traffic is retarded by three things—ignorance, laziness and sentiment. Our people are ignorant of the potentialities of tourist traffic. They have been too lazy to take the matter seriously; and they have a sentimental delusion that, where the charms of Ireland are concerned, the English or American tourist is all soul and no body. Since hitherto the propagandists of the Irish tourist movement have dealt very timidly with these failings, we are much pleased with two addresses which were delivered yesterday to the Publicity Club in Dublin. If our municipal bodies and hotel proprietors are teachable, the plain language of Mr. M. F. Keogh and of Dr. Mylander, an American citizen, ought to give them a new and profitable grasp of the facts of the tourist problem. The burden of Mr. Keogh's advice was that it is poor morality and very bad business to proclaim, "Come, for all things are now ready," when, in fact, nothing is ready at all. The experience of one tourist whom plausible "publicity" lures to an Ireland where, for the most part, accommodation is still dear and unsatisfactory, may deter a hundred possible successors. Mr. Keogh is wholly wise in his warning that a "premature propaganda is an actual danger," and that we must put our hotels and boarding-houses in order before we seek to attract visitors on a large scale. Dr. Mylander's speech upsets all Irish notions about the American tourist traffic to Europe. He tells us that the majority of American tourists are not millionaires, but students and teachers, who must look twice at every dollar that they spend. Of the 750,000 Americans who visited France last year, sixty-two *per cent.* belonged to the student class. Their battalions have refused hitherto to descend upon Ireland because American tourist agencies have informed them that the cost is "prohibitive," that our third-class railway carriages—no doubt, Mr. Keogh took note of this criticism—are dirty, and that the hotels are "inadequate." The young Americans on holiday demand simple food well cooked, decent accommodation and punctual service at modest charges. They can get these comforts almost everywhere in England, France and Italy; but the places where they could get them to-day in Ireland are few and far between. That is our country's tourist traffic problem in a nutshell, and we do not believe that it can be solved by mere exhortation. Ignorance is the real barrier to progress—our rural hotel-keepers' complete ignorance of the perfection to which, as Mr. Keogh said, their Continental competitors have brought the art of good entertainment at cheap prices. A visit to France, where, even on the gay Riviera, the discerning tourist can fare delightfully at surprisingly small charges, would be a real revelation to the average proprietor of an Irish hotel or boarding-house. We commend the idea to our tourist organisations. A month's excursion, under expert conduct, by a hundred Irish hotel-keepers through the chief tourist centres of France and Italy would open a new chapter in the history of Irish tourist development. The money spent on such a journey of education would produce quick and large returns.

Aerial Achievements.

The Britannia Trophy for 1925 for the most meritorious British flying feat of the year has been awarded to Mr. Alan Cobham in recognition of his flight with Sir Sefton Brancker from London to India and back, which he completed on March 17th last year. This is announced simultaneously with the news of Mr. Cobham's splendid flight from London to Capetown—a distance of 8,020 miles—in ninety-four flying hours. Mr. Cobham purposes to make the return journey as rapidly and with as few stops as possible. Every admirer of plucky achievement will hope to congratulate him, in a few days' time, on the completion of an achievement equal to that which has won him the 1925 Trophy. From London Mr. Cobham flew across Europe by Paris and Brindisi to Athens. He crossed the Mediterranean to Cairo, and then began a flight of 6,000 miles across the dark continent. Up the valley of the Nile to Khartum he flew; thence to Kenya Colony; over equatorial forests and swamps to the Transvaal and so southward until the gleam of the ocean was seen afar off, and the flyer knew that a continent had been crossed. From America preparations for an interesting aerial voyage of exploration are reported. Lieutenant Wade, one of the American officers who flew round the world in 1924, proposes to fly from Point Barrow, the most northerly extremity of Alaska, in search of land in the uncharted area between Alaska and the Pole. It is believed that similar plans have been laid by the Bolsheviks, who may fly from Wrangel Island, a base which is only about 400 miles from Point Barrow. Land found in that bleak area might be of considerable value to the nation which first claimed it; for an aerial base there would make possible swift flights across the Arctic zone between the American, European and Asiatic Continents.

Traffic in New York.

On the underground railways of New York—known to Americans as the "subways"—the fare for any distance is five cents. At the busy times congestion on these cheap and rapid lines is intense. The New York Correspondent of the *Morning Post* describes the scrambling multitudes who even come to blows in their eagerness to secure seats. Americans, when they are not in a hurry, are extremely polite; but at the "rush" hour on the subways women have to take their chance in the *sauve-qui-peut*, and fare no better than their sisters in Dublin when the theatre crowds are struggling for seats in the last tramcars. To avoid the subway crowds the traveller may prefer to journey by tramcar or omnibus. The streets, however, are thronged so thickly with vehicles of every kind that the omnibus takes three or four times as long as the subway train to run from the centre to the circumference of the city. Surface travelling is becoming ever more uncomfortable and slow. The stream of traffic is controlled by green and red lights automatically worked from towers in the centre of the roads, and its progress is punctuated with long and numerous halts. Owners of private motor cars use them to travel from outlying districts to the busy confines of the city; there they alight, send back their cars, and proceed by train. It is expected that subway fares will be raised in order to enable the companies to construct parallel relief lines; and thus traffic in the city zone, from "skyscraper" to "skyscraper" will be done by tunnel. New York is becoming a monstrous molehill.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The period of Court mourning for the late Queen Alexandra will terminate to-morrow, but it is considered likely that the members of the Royal Family will continue to wear half-mourning for some time.

The Prince of Wales has been making informal visits to philanthropic and industrial undertakings, especially in the neighbourhood of Limehouse, where, in spite of the very inclement weather, His Royal Highness was given a hearty welcome by the Dockland crowds. Next Tuesday the Prince will attend the Shire Horse Show at Islington, and in the evening will preside at the festival dinner in the Guildhall, in aid of the endowment fund for Reedham Orphanage, which has nearly reached the desired total.

The Princess Royal has given her patronage to the subscription ball in aid of the Associated Hospitals of St. Marylebone, which will be held in the Wharncliffe Rooms, London, next Thursday night. Lord Carnegie and Lady Maud Carnegie, who have been visiting the Earl and Countess of Southesk at Kinnaird Castle, Brechin, will return early next week to London.

The Countess of Lonsdale will leave England to-day for Egypt. The Countess of Ranfurly has arrived at Northland House, Dungannon, where the Earl of Ranfurly is in residence. Viscount Massereene and Ferrard will return to-day from St. Moritz. Sir Hugo and Lady Cunliffe-Owen and their children have returned from Madeira to their residence in Whitehall Court, London. Lady Portal, accompanied by her son, Mr. R. Portal, with whom she has been staying in Rhodesia, returned to England this week.

The Dowager Lady Clanmorris has returned to Bangor Castle from Dublin. Lord Cloncurry, who injured his knee at Lyons, County Kildare, some time ago, is now quite recovered. Sir Nevile and Lady Beatrix Wilkinson are the guests of the Earl of Wicklow, this week, at Shelton Abbey. Lady Denys-Burton, who has been spending the winter at Pollacton, County Carlow, will leave shortly for Pau.

Mr. and Mrs. Blacker-Douglas, who have been residing in Jersey for some time, are at present staying in the South of France, and were among the guests at the reception held by Mrs. Wiseman Keogh, wife of the British Consul, at her villa at Nice. Others present included Sir Henry and Lady Samuelson, Lady Swettenham, Lady Philipps, Lady Jephson, Lady Cunyngham, Lady Barron, Lady Vincent, Mrs. Synnot, Admiral and Mrs. Niblack and Colonel and Mrs. Wright.

Last Sunday afternoon, Mr. Osborne O'Hagan gave a musical party at Casa del Mare, Monte Carlo, at which over two hundred guests were present. An interesting programme was rendered, including six Italian and English songs by Miss Mary McCormic, violin solos by Mr. Henry Wagemans, 'cello solos by M. Umberto Benedetti, and selections by the Monte Carlo string quartet. Mr. O'Hagan's next musical entertainment will take place on March 7th, when Mr. Walter Rummel will give a recital.

The Hon. Agatha Beaumont is still critically ill, and has undergone a serious operation since her accident in the hunting field. Her brother and sister-in-law, Viscount and Viscountess Allendale, have left London to join her at Bywell Hall, where she has been since the accident. Colonel Fox, Chief of the Salvage Corps, is laid up with an attack of influenza, and was somewhat worse yesterday, after a restless night. Sir Richard Barnett, M.P., is still suffering from a chill, and is confined to his room. The Hon. Lady Chichester is making a good recovery from the attack of measles from which she has been suffering, and will shortly leave Wimbledon for change of air.

Mrs. F. B. Switzer and Miss Lallie Switzer have returned from Paris.

Woodbrook Golf Club—The weekly Dinner Dance will take place on to-morrow (Saturday), February 20th, at 8 p.m. Table reservations. Tel.: Bray 8. Miss Billie Weiner's Band.

Switzer's Millinery Buyer has returned with a full range of beautiful Bangkoks, Balibuntals, Viscas and the new fancy Crochet Straw Hats in the most lovely colourings, including Casha, Bois-de-Rose, etc.; also Model Hats and Copies showing marked changes in the shapes for the new season.

The most admired women in Society wear Ciro Pearls, often side by side with real pearls, and the difference cannot be detected. Convince yourself by visiting the Ciro Pearl Department at Switzers.

New Spring Millinery, New Frocks, New Two-piece Suits, New Coat Frocks and Wraps. W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street. Warehouse open all day Wednesdays.

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Special show of Spring Models at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

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Departures:—Sir James C. Percy, J. M. Staples, Miss M. C. O'Kelly, Miss M. B. Fitzsimons, the Misses T. and K. O'Connor, Miss M. Dowd, Miss E. F. Queen, Mrs. P. L. O'Neill, G. E. V. Cuppage.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

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The Thames has risen a further eleven inches, and is now 3 feet 5 inches above summer level.

"THE PLOUGH AND THE STARS."

A REPLY TO CRITICS.

(By SEAN O'CASEY.)

A space, please, to breathe a few remarks opposing the screams and the patter antagonistic to the performance of "The Plough and the Stars" in the Abbey Theatre. In her letter to the *Independent* Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington does not drag before us the parts of the play that spread irritating thoughts over the minds of herself and her allies, but a talk with some of the young Republican women, which I had after the disturbance, enabled me to discover that the National tocsin of alarm was sounded because some of the tinsel of sham was shaken from the body of truth.

They objected to Volunteers and men of the I.C.A. visiting a public-house. Do they want us to believe that all these men were sworn teetotallers? Are we to know the fighters of Easter Week as "The Army of the Unco' Guid"? Were all Ireland's battles fought by Confraternity men? The Staff of Stonewall Jackson complained bitterly to him of the impiety of one of their number. "A blasphemous scoundrel," said the General, "but a damned fine Artillery officer." Some of the men of Easter week liked a bottle of stout, and I can see nothing derogatory in that.

They objected to the display of the tricolour, saying that that flag was never in a public-house. I myself have seen it there. I have seen the green, white and gold in strange places; I have seen it painted on a lavatory in "The Gloucester Diamond"; it has been flown from some of the worst slums in Dublin; I have seen it thrust itself from the window of a shebeen in "The Digs," but, perhaps, the funniest use it was put to was when it was made to function as a State robe for the Mayor of Waterford.

They murmured against the viewpoint of Nora Clitheroe, saying it did not represent the feeling of Ireland's womanhood. Nora voices not only the feeling of Ireland's women, but the women of the human race. The safety of her brood is the true morality of every woman. A mother does not like her son to be killed—she does not like him even to get married.

The Republican women shouted with a loud voice against the representation of fear in the eyes of the fighters. If this be so, what is the use of sounding forth their praises? If they knew no fear, then the fight of Easter Week was an easy thing, and those who participated deserve to be forgotten in a day, rather than to be remembered for ever. And why is the sentiment expressed in "The Plough and the Stars" condemned, while it goes unnoticed (apparently) in other plays? In "The Old Man" (written by a Republican) during a crisis, the many fall back; only the few press forward. In "Sable and Gold" (played by the Republican Players) a Volunteer, who is a definite coward, is one of the principal characters, and yet no howl has proclaimed the representation to be false or defaming. And are the men of Easter week greater than those whose example they are said to have followed? Were they all unhuman in that they were destitute of the first element in the nature of man? "Upon the earth there is not his like," says Job, "who is made without fear." Even the valiant Hector, mad with fear, was chased around the walls of Troy. And do the Republicans forget the whisper of Emmet to the question of the executioner, "Are you ready, sir?"—"Not yet, not yet." I wonder do the Republicans remember how Laoghaire and Conall, two of the champions of the Red Branch, ran, as rabbits would run, from what they believed to be the certainty of death; and how Cuchulainn alone remained to face death, with "pale countenance, drooping head, in the heaviness of dark sorrow"?

One of the young Republicans whispered to me in admiration the name of Shaw, inferentially to my own shame and confusion. Curious champion to choose, and I can only attribute their choice to ignorance; for if ever a man hated sham, it is Shaw. Let me give one example that concerns the subject I am writing about. Describing, in "Arms and the Man," a charge of cavalry, Bluntschli says: "It's like slinging a handful of peas against a windowpane; first one comes; then two or three close behind him; then all the rest in a lump." Then Raina answers, with dilating eyes (how like a young Republican woman!) "Yes, first one!—the bravest of the brave!" followed by the terrible reply: "H'm; you should see the poor devil pulling at his horse!"

As for vanity, I think I remember a long discussion in *The Volunteer* over the adoption of the green and gold, scarlet and blue, black, white and crimson-plumed costumes of the Volunteers of "82" for the Volunteers of "13"; and though these were rejected—they had to be—there was still left a good deal of boyish vanity in the distribution of braids, tabs, slung swords, and Sam Brown belts. And how rich (to me) was the parade of the stiff and stately uniformed men, "the solemn-looking dials of them," as Rosie Redmond says in the play—and they marching to the meeting, were serious, very human, but damnably funny.

I am glad that Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington says that the demonstration was not directed against any individual actor. As Mr. F. J. McCormack told the audience, the author alone is responsible for the play, and he is willing to take it all. The politicians—Free State and Republican—have the platform to express themselves, and Heavens knows they seem to take full advantage of it. The drama is my place for self-expression, and I claim the liberty in drama that they enjoy on the platform (and how they do enjoy it!), and am prepared to fight for it.

The heavy-hearted expression by Mrs. Sheehy-Skeffington about "the Ireland that remembers with tear-dimmed eyes all that Easter Week stands for," makes me sick. Some of the men cannot get even a job. Mrs. Skeffington is certainly not dumb, but she appears to be both blind and deaf to all the things that are happening around her. Is the Ireland that is pouring to the picture-houses, to the dance halls, to the football matches, remembering with tear-dimmed eyes all that Easter Week stands for? Tears may be in the eyes of the navvies working on the Shannon scheme, but they are not for Ireland. When Mrs. Skeffington roars herself into the position of a dramatic critic, we cannot take her seriously: she is singing here on a high note wildly beyond the range of her political voice, and can be given only the charity of our silence.

In refutation of a story going around, let me say that there never was a question of a refusal to play the part of "Rosie Redmond" (splendidly acted by Miss Mooney). The part declined by one of the players was the character of "Mrs. Gogan."

GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL.

SUGGESTED LAY ELEMENT.

Mr. Storry Deans having asked the Minister of Health whether he had considered the suggestion that the General Medical Council ought to contain a lay element, and, if so, having regard to the power of nomination conferred on the Crown by the Medical Act, 1886, would he take steps to secure that this power should be exercised by the appointment of laymen as and when vacancies arise,

Mr. Neville Chamberlain writes in reply that he has considered the hon. member's suggestion, and will take an early opportunity of consulting the Lord President on the matter.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Lightnin'," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"The Money Makers," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"If You Can't Be Good —," 7 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Twinkles," 7 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Dr. Knock," 8 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"Introduce Me," 2.45, 4.55, 7.5, and 9.15 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"The Chorus Lady," 3.25, 5.25, 7.25, and 9.20 p.m.
Grafton Cinema—"New Lives for Old," 2.25, 4.40, 6.55, and 9.10 p.m.
Grand Central Cinema—"The Price of Pleasure," 3, 5, 7, and 9 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Champion of Lost Causes," 4.30 to 10.30 p.m.
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"The Happy Warrior," 3.30, 6.5, and 8.40 p.m.
Modern French Art—D. Egan's Salon, 38 St. Stephen's Green, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Exhibition of Pictures, Mills' Hall, Merrion row.
Royal Dublin Society—Afternoon Lectures, Members' Hall, Ballsbridge—Modern Art, 4.30 p.m.
Meeting in Aid of Linden Convalescent Home, Mansion House, 4 p.m.
I.F.S. Branch London Association Accountants, Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Railway Tribunal, 11 a.m.
Lecture St. Francis Xavier Hall, 8 p.m.
MacKenzie and Co., 212 Pearse street, 12 noon.

LONDON LETTER.

THE DARLINGTON RESULT

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

In the Lobby this afternoon the Darlington election result was much discussed; for the Socialists, naturally, were inclined to be triumphant, and boasted that a Government candidate had been defeated in a seat with a long record of Conservatism. Conservatives, however, were not inclined to attach an undue importance to the result; for the Government, with its huge majority, has lost fewer seats in by-elections than any Government for years. It was the intervention of a third, and hopeless, candidate in the shape of the Liberal that lost Conservatism the seat. The unpleasant fact that the Liberal is always at the foot of the poll has no effect on the Liberal organisers. They continue to put forward candidates, if only to prevent the Conservatives from getting in.

The Chancellor's Busy Day.

To-day was Mr. Churchill's busy day; for he was receiving deputations during the greater part of it. For nearly two hours this morning representatives of the motor trade industry tried to impress their views upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer as to the diversion of the Road Fund and the incidence of motor taxation. It appears that the deputation had an interesting time, though it met with no satisfactory results from the motor industry point of view. Mr. Churchill was strictly non-committal, but promised to give full consideration to the representations made to him by such an important gathering. Members of the deputation came away inclined to think that Mr. Churchill fully intends to annex the £17,000,000 surplus of the Fund. Later in the day Mr. Churchill received a deputation concerning the £200,000 grant for Civil Service sports grounds, and here again the Chancellor listened patiently, but was extremely reluctant to express any views on the matter, though it is understood that he maintained that the Cabinet will stand by the grant. It will be taken in sections, however—£50,000 at the time.

The Little Season.

On Saturday the Court will go out of mourning for the late Queen Alexandra, and, although members of the Royal Family have not felt obliged to restrict their charitable engagements, they will now be able to take part in functions of a more festive character. The Prince of Wales went to the theatre last night for the first time since the mourning began; but, while he has been able to attend many public dinners and functions during the past six weeks, he has not been present at a public ball. On Tuesday next he will go to the Victoria League Ball, organised by Lady Beatrice Ormsby-Gore, to take place at Grosvenor House. The "Little Season" is not remarkable, as a rule, for its entertaining, but rather for its small and informal parties; and many of these have been resumed, the Marchioness of Londonderry leading the way by a cabaret party at Londonderry House.

The British Industries Fair.

The King, who was looking very well, accompanied by the Queen, paid a long visit to the British Industries Fair at Shepherd's Bush this morning. The King was looking bronzed after his stay in the country, and his appearance quite dispelled any idea that there was even a modicum of truth in the stories recently circulated regarding his health. The Queen was wearing a coat of black cloth, trimmed with lynx fur, and a toque of black satin relieved with cut steel ornaments. Both the Royal visitors thoroughly enjoyed the visit, and were most vivacious in their remarks. On arriving at an art-printing stall the King said that he was so old-fashioned that he would like to see the Valentine revived, and the Queen warmly agreed. Picture postcards were purchased, and the King bought himself a new fountain pen, while the Queen bought quite a collection of pottery, as well as two newbrellas. This is an improvement on the old umbrella; for the cover can be changed at will. The King, who is an authority on ivory, was greatly interested in the manufacture of billiard balls.

Money for Ulster.

The long-expected White Paper containing the details of the grant to be made to Northern Ireland as part of an agreement made between the Treasury and the Northern Ireland Government was issued to-day. The sum to be paid is a heavy one, due to the exceptionally severe unemployment in Ulster, and, while the members of the Imperial Parliament will not look with any great favour on the proposals, it is certain that they will be accepted. It is recognised that it is all part of the boundary peace, and that the peace is worth its price

An Irish Dinner.

So great has been the demand for tickets that it has been found necessary to close the list of applications in connection with the Union of the Four Provinces Club dinner on St. Patrick's Day. Applications arrived so rapidly that two halls were engaged in addition to that originally booked at the Hotel Cecil, but there is a limit, and no further accommodation can be obtained. Prominent members of all political parties will be present, including the Prime Minister, Lord Birkenhead, Sir John Simon, Mr. Philip Snowden and Mr. J. R. Clynes, in addition to Cardinal Bourne and a representative gathering of Irishmen.

Captain Sauerzweig.

"I think that anyone can play a series of instruments, provided that they study the mechanism." This remark was made to the *Evening Standard* to-day by Captain Sauerzweig, the German musician, who last night gave a recital on fifteen different instruments, ranging from the zubaphone to the viola, at the Queen's Hall. His programme included concertos from Weber and Mendelssohn, in addition to a piece by an Englishman now living in New York, Mr. Forsyth. "I began to learn music when I was fourteen years of age," continued Captain Sauerzweig, "at a little school in Saxony. I first learnt a saxon and a violin. There was an orchestra in the school, and one day there was a call for a volunteer for the clarinet. Two months afterwards our oboe player left to join the army, and I was roped in for the oboe. In Madgeburg I heard of a situation for a viola player, and so I took up that until such time as I had to join the army. After five years I was sent to the Army Music Academy, which is something like Kneller Hall. Before leaving school I learned the flute and the bassoon, and so I went on until I mastered the fifteen. Now I am a teacher in the Free State of Ireland Army School of Music."

Later Dinners.

During the past year or so it has been noted that there has been a distinct tendency towards a later dinner hour, and it is not as very uncommon now to find dinner parties being given at ten o'clock at night. This innovation has been introduced by people who have recently returned from the Riviera, but there are indications that the practice will grow. Dinners are very much shorter than they used to be; but, even so, it is said that people keen on dancing have been missing the meal rather than give up a considerable part of the evening. Hotel managers entertain the idea that dinners at 11 p.m. may be quite the thing in the summer months, and declare that they must prepare to meet a demand

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HAPPY and smiling and looking little t[...] perience of shipwreck off the Galway[...] of the Tenby Castle arrived in Dublin [...] Swansea. They crossed from Kingstown to [...] boat, and arrived at Swansea shortly before[...] captain and the remainder of the crew follo[...]

Below will be found the full story of [...] played by the fireman, Clydesdale, in recove[...] broke adrift, and the rescue of the crew by[...] Island. Equally thrilling is the final episod[...] for seven and a half hours to the mainland [...] their safety to their relatives.

The mystery of the Cardigan Castle is [...] one member of the crew is safe. He was fou[...] fishermen from Clare Island drifting in an op[...] According to another message, another survi[...] this cannot be confirmed.

There is no news of the three men who[...] a piece of timber, that they were shipwre[...] rescue boats were unable to land there yesterd[...] The two bodies that were washed up ye[...] Clew Bay, have been identified as members o[...] Castle. One was the wireless operator.

FULL STORY OF TENBY C[...]

THRILLING stories of a fight for life in the midst of a terrific storm and a [...]k fog are told by Captain Wellburn [...] several members of the crew of the [...]ansea trawler, Tenby Castle, which [...]ndered on the rocks off the Island of [...]sturk on Sunday morning. All hands [...] generous in their praise of Fireman [...]ydesdale, a veteran of the battle of [...]land, whose plucky conduct and [...]otion to duty was the means of saving [...] lives of the crew.

[...]n a few modest words he told an *Irish* [...]*es* representative last night how in [...]ing to hold on to the drifting lifeboat [...]h his feet, as he hung over the doomed [...]sel's side, he jumped backwards into [...] sea and swam with a few swift strokes [...]the boat and pulled himself into it over [...] gunwale. There he remained until a [...]e was thrown to him, and he made the [...]t fast to the trawler.

"Fireman Clydesdale," said the captain, [...]jumped clear off the Tenby Castle and [...]am to the boat, which had broken from [...] painter, and held on to it until we [...]ew him a rope, which got entangled [...]h his neck and nearly choked him. [...] held on stoutly and brought it along-[...], and ultimately the entire crew was [...] safely aboard."

"Our courageous captain," said the [...]eless operator, Mr. McGuire, "was the [...] to leave, and his skill, cheerfulness [...] optimism during the ensuing three [...]rs probably saved us all."

[...]he pluck of Fireman Clydesdale in [...]rieving the ship's boat saved the lives [...]he crew. "We had not got more than [...]ile from the Tenby Castle," added Mr. [...]Guire, "when she lurched to one side [...] made her final plunge in a cloud of [...]am and fire as the boilers burst."

Nine members of the crew reached [...]blin last night *en route* to Swansea. [...]e remaining three, including Captain [...]ellburn, will leave Galway for [...]ansea to-day.

A MODEST HERO.

TOM CLYDESDALE'S STORY [O]F HOW HE SAVED THE CREW.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The hero of the Tenby Castle, Tom Clydes[d]ale, the fireman who saved the lives of the [w]hole crew by jumping into the raging sea [in] the semi-darkness and swimming to the [...]ly lifeboat which had broken away from [the] ship, is an old "sea dog" who served in [th]e Grand Fleet during the great war, and [w]as in the Battle of Jutland.

Clydesdale, better known as "Yorky" to [hi]s comrades, is a modest, slight, flaxen [ha]ired man, who was born in Hull.

He told his story in simple sentences.

"In launching the boat it fell into the [w]ater, and left me hanging over the ship's [si]de. Seeing that it had broken away from [th]e davit ropes and that the painter had [sn]apped, I tried to get hold of the boat with [m]y legs. While attempting to step into [the] boat I fell into the sea.

"Coming up to the surface again, and [kn]owing that the boat was adrift, I swam up [to] it—it had drifted several yards away—and, [aft]er a great deal of difficulty, I managed [to] pull myself into it."

"When I got my breath back," he con[tin]ued, "I shouted for a rope to the men [wh]o were at the stern of the ship watching [...]. One of the deck hands promptly threw [me] a rope. I made it fast to the thwart of [the] boat as quickly as I could, and the re[ma]inder of the crew on the ship pulled the [boa]t up alongside.

"I was then pulled out of her very quickly, [an]d was relieved by one of the crew who got [int]o the boat. When I got aboard I went [and] got a dry change of clothes on me."

"But how did you fare when you were in [the] sea?" he was asked.

"Oh," he naively replied: "I had two or [thr]ee drinks of salt water. That's all."

[M]ATE'S FULL STORY.

"A REAL SAMPLE OF IRISH HOSPITALITY."

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[L]ONDON LETTER.

[TH]E DARLINGTON RESULT.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

[In] the Lobby this afternoon the Day[ling]ton election result was much discussed; [t]he Socialists, naturally, were inclined [to b]e triumphant, and boasted that a [Gove]rnment candidate had been defeated [in a] seat with a long record of Con[serva]tism. Conservatives, however, were [not] inclined to attach an undue import[ance] to the result; for the Government, [with] its huge majority, has lost fewer [seats] in by-elections than any Government [for] years. It was the intervention of a [thir]d, and hopeless, candidate in the shape [of th]e Liberal that lost Conservatism the [seat.] The unpleasant fact that the Liberal [is a]lways at the foot of the poll has no [effec]t on the Liberal organisers. They [cont]inue to put forward candidates, if only [to p]revent the Conservatives from getting

[The] Chancellor's Busy Day.

[T]o-day was Mr. Churchill's busy day; [for] he was receiving deputations during [the] greater part of it. For nearly two [hou]rs this morning representatives of the [mot]or trade industry tried to impress their [vie]ws upon the Chancellor of the Ex[che]quer as to the diversion of the Road [Fu]nd and the incidence of motor taxation. [It] appears that the deputation had an [int]eresting time, though it met with no [sat]isfactory results from the motor in[du]stry point of view. Mr. Churchill was [str]ictly non-committal, but promised to [giv]e full consideration to the representa[tio]ns made to him by such an important [ga]thering. Members of the deputation [ca]me away inclined to think that Mr. [Ch]urchill fully intends to annex the [£]7,000,000 surplus of the Fund. Later in [the] day Mr. Churchill received a deputa[tio]n concerning the £200,000 grant for [Ci]vil Service sports grounds, and here [ag]ain the Chancellor listened patiently, [bu]t was extremely reluctant to express [an]y views on the matter, though it is [u]nderstood that he maintained that the [C]abinet will stand by the grant. It will [b]e taken in sections, however—£50,000 at [a] time.

[T]he Little Season.

On Saturday the Court will go out of [m]ourning for the late Queen Alexandra, [a]nd, although members of the Royal [f]amily have not felt obliged to restrict [th]eir charitable engagements, they will [n]ow be able to take part in functions of [a] more festive character. The Prince of [W]ales went to the theatre last night for [th]e first time since the mourning began; [bu]t, while he has been able to attend [m]any public dinners and functions during [th]e past six weeks, he has not been present [at] a public ball. On Tuesday next he will [go] to the Victoria League Ball, organised [by] Lady Beatrice Ormsby-Gore, to take [pl]ace at Grosvenor House. The "Little [S]eason" is not remarkable, as a rule, for [it]s entertaining, but rather for its small [an]d informal parties; and many of these [ha]ve been resumed, the Marchioness of [Lo]ndonderry leading the way by a cabaret [pa]rty at Londonderry House.

[T]he British Industries Fair.

The King, who was looking very well, [ac]companied by the Queen, paid a long [vi]sit to the British Industries Fair at [Sh]epherd's Bush this morning. The King [wa]s looking bronzed after his stay in the [co]untry, and his appearance quite dis[pe]lled any idea that there was even a [m]odicum of truth in the stories recently [ci]rculated regarding his health. The [Q]ueen was wearing a coat of black cloth, [tr]immed with lynx fur, and a toque of [bl]ack satin relieved with cut steel orna[m]ents. Both the Royal visitors thoroughly [e]njoyed the visit, and were most vivacious [in] their remarks. On arriving at an art[p]rinting stall the King said that he was [so] old-fashioned that he would like to see [th]e Valentine revived, and the Queen [w]armly agreed. Picture postcards were [p]urchased, and the King bought himself [a] new fountain pen, while the Queen [b]ought quite a collection of pottery, as [w]ell as two newbrellas. This is an im[p]rovement on the old umbrella; for the [c]over can be changed at will. The King, [w]ho is an authority on ivory, was greatly [i]nterested in the manufacture of billiard [b]alls.

Money for Ulster.

The long-expected White Paper containing the details of the grant to be made to Northern Ireland as part of an agreement made between the Treasury and the Northern Ireland Government was issued to-day. The sum to be paid is a heavy one, due to the exceptionally severe unemployment in Ulster, and, while the members of the Imperial Parliament will not look with any great favour on the proposals, it is certain that they will be accepted. It is recognised that it is all part of the boundary peace, and that the peace is worth its price.

An Irish Dinner.

So great has been the demand for tickets that it has been found necessary to close the list of applications in connection with the Union of the Four Provinces Club dinner on St. Patrick's Day. Applications arrived so rapidly that two halls were engaged in addition to that originally booked at the Hotel Cecil, but there is a limit, and no further accommodation can be obtained. Prominent members of all political parties will be present, including the Prime Minister, Lord Birkenhead, Sir John Simon, Mr. Philip Snowden and Mr. J. R. Clynes, in addition to Cardinal Bourne and a representative gathering of Irishmen.

Captain Sauerzweig.

"I think that anyone can play a series of instruments, provided that they study the mechanism." This remark was made to the *Evening Standard* to-day by Captain Sauerzweig, the German musician, who last night gave a recital on fifteen different instruments, ranging from the zubaphone to the viola, at the Queen's Hall. His programme included concertos from Weber and Mendelssohn, in addition to a piece by an Englishman now living in New York, Mr. Forsyth. "I began to learn music when I was fourteen years of age," continued Captain Sauerzweig, "at a little school in Saxony. I first learnt a saxon and a violin. There was an orchestra in the school, and one day there was a call for a volunteer for the clarinet. Two months afterwards our oboe player left to join the army, and I was roped in for the oboe. In Madgeburg I heard of a situation for a viola player, and so I took up that until such time as I had to join the army. After five years I was sent to the Army Music Academy, which is something like Kneller Hall. Before leaving school I learned the flute and the bassoon, and so I went on until I mastered the fifteen. Now I am a teacher in the Free State of Ireland Army School of Music."

Later Dinners.

During the past year or so it has been noted that there has been a distinct tendency towards a later dinner hour, and it is not as very uncommon now to find dinner parties being given at ten o'clock at night. This innovation has been introduced by people who have recently returned from the Riviera, but there are indications that the practice will grow. Dinners are very much shorter than they used to be; but, even so, it is said that people keen on dancing have been missing the meal rather than give up a considerable part of the evening. Hotel managers entertain the idea that dinners at 11 p.m. may be quite the thing in the summer months, and declare that they must prepare to meet a demand

HOW THE TENBY CASTLE CREW WERE SAVED.

HEROIC FIREMAN'S SWIM TO REGAIN THE ONLY LIFEBOAT.

ISLANDERS' "IRISH HOSPITALITY"

MYSTERY OF FATE OF CARDIGAN CASTLE STILL UNSOLVED.

MAN AND SHIP'S DOG RESCUED.

HAPPY and smiling and looking little the worse for their terrible experience of shipwreck off the Galway coast, nine men of the crew of the Tenby Castle arrived in Dublin last evening, en route for Swansea. They crossed from Kingstown to Holyhead by last night's mail boat, and arrived at Swansea shortly before 3 o'clock this morning. The captain and the remainder of the crew follow to-day.

Below will be found the full story of their shipwreck; the part played by the fireman, Clydesdale, in recovering their only lifeboat when it broke adrift, and the rescue of the crew by the inhabitants of Inishturk Island. Equally thrilling is the final episode, in which four men rowed for seven and a half hours to the mainland in order to send the news of their safety to their relatives.

The mystery of the Cardigan Castle is still unsolved, but at least one member of the crew is safe. He was found on Monday by some fishermen from Clare Island drifting in an open boat with the ship's dog. According to another message, another survivor is on Caher Island, but this cannot be confirmed.

There is no news of the three men who reported, by a message cut in a piece of timber, that they were shipwrecked on High Island, as the rescue boats were unable to land there yesterday owing to the gale.

The two bodies that were washed up yesterday near Louisberg, in Clew Bay, have been identified as members of the crew of the Cardigan Castle. One was the wireless operator.

FULL STORY OF TENBY CASTLE RESCUES.

THRILLING stories of a fight for life in the midst of a terrific storm and a thick fog are told by Captain Wellburn and several members of the crew of the Swansea trawler, Tenby Castle, which foundered on the rocks off the Island of Inishturk on Sunday morning. All hands are generous in their praise of Fireman Clydesdale, a veteran of the battle of Jutland, whose plucky conduct and devotion to duty was the means of saving the lives of the crew.

In a few modest words he told an *Irish Times* representative last night how in trying to hold on to the drifting lifeboat with his feet, as he hung over the doomed vessel's side, he jumped backwards into the sea and swam with a few swift strokes to the boat and pulled himself into it over the gunwale. There he remained until a line was thrown to him, and he made the boat fast to the trawler.

"Fireman Clydesdale," said the captain, "jumped clear off the Tenby Castle and swam to the boat, which had broken from the painter, and held on to it until we threw him a rope, which got entangled with his neck and nearly choked him. He held on stoutly and brought it alongside, and ultimately the entire crew was got safely aboard."

"Our courageous captain," said the wireless operator, Mr. McGuire, "was the last to leave, and his skill, cheerfulness and optimism during the ensuing three hours probably saved us all."

The pluck of Fireman Clydesdale in retrieving the ship's boat saved the lives of the crew. "We had not got more than a mile from the Tenby Castle," added Mr. McGuire, "when she lurched to one side and made her final plunge in a cloud of steam and fire as the boilers burst."

Nine members of the crew reached Dublin last night *en route* to Swansea. The remaining three, including Captain Wellburn, will leave Galway for Swansea to-day.

A MODEST HERO.

TOM CLYDESDALE'S STORY OF HOW HE SAVED THE CREW.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The hero of the Tenby Castle, Tom Clydesdale, the fireman who saved the lives of the whole crew by jumping into the raging sea in the semi-darkness and swimming to the only lifeboat which had broken away from the ship, is an old "sea dog" who served in the Grand Fleet during the great war, and was in the Battle of Jutland.

Clydesdale, better known as "Yorky" to his comrades, is a modest, slight, flaxen haired man, who was born in Hull.

He told his story in simple sentences.

"In launching the boat it fell into the water, and left me hanging over the ship's side. Seeing that it had broken away from the davit ropes and that the painter had snapped, I tried to get hold of the boat with my legs. While attempting to step into the boat I fell into the sea.

"Coming up to the surface again, and knowing that the boat was adrift, I swam up to it—it had drifted several yards away—and, after a great deal of difficulty, I managed to pull myself into it."

"When I got my breath back," he continued, "I shouted for a rope to the men who were at the stern of the ship watching me. One of the deck hands promptly threw me a rope. I made it fast to the thwart of the boat as quickly as I could, and the remainder of the crew on the ship pulled the boat up alongside.

"I was then pulled out of her very quickly, and was relieved by one of the crew who got into the boat. When I got aboard I went and got a dry change of clothes on me."

"But how did you fare when you were in the sea?" he was asked.

"Oh," he naively replied: "I had two or three drinks of salt water. That's all."

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"All of a sudden, in a clearing of the squall, the look-out man saw something ahead. Immediately we rang 'full steam astern.' Before we had a chance, we had hit a rock, and then we got astern and off the rock, and drove out about half a mile from the land.

"We examined the ship's bottom and found that she was making water.

LIFEBOAT ADRIFT.

"The little lifeboat was launched and made ready. She was hardly in the water when the painter broke, and 'Yorky' Clydesdale, a fireman, who was on the ship's side, let himself go into the sea.

"He swam for the drifting boat, and when he got into it we threw him a line and pulled the boat alongside."

Mr. Browne was lavish in his praises of this "wonderful" act of his shipmate. "Yorky" was their hero, and he would be the hero of Swansea when they got there.

"THE SHIP IS SINKING."

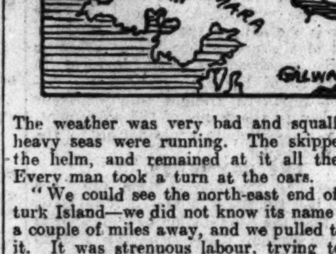
Continuing his story, Mr. Browne said:—"We dropped the anchor to prevent the ship from drifting any further from the land, and so hinder us in our attempt to make land when we took to the boat.

"Just at daybreak the skipper said that 'the ship is sinking fast. We had better get into the boat.' We were then two or three miles off the Island of Inishturk, and at the same time the wireless operator sent out his last S.O.S. to say that we were abandoning the ship, which was sinking fast.

"At 7.15 a.m., coming daylight, we took to the boat. It is only fourteen feet long, and could barely hold the twelve men. No man was allowed to bring anything with him for fear of overloading the boat, not even food and water. We all had our lifebelts on.

ONLY TWO OARS.

"All the gear of the boat had been lost except two oars. We pulled away from the ship, and about forty-five minutes afterwards we saw the Tenby Castle go down head first.



The weather was very bad and squally, and heavy seas were running. The skipper took the helm, and remained at it all the time. Every man took a turn at the oars.

"We could see the north-east end of Inishturk Island—we did not know its name then—a couple of miles away, and we pulled towards it. It was strenuous labour, trying to work a large boat full of men with only two oars in the weather obtaining. It was a terrible battle with the sea, and we expected every moment to be overturned.

"As we neared the island we could see no signs of life, and began to circle around its northern end looking for a place to land.

CANOE TO THE RESCUE.

"At 9.30 a.m. we rounded the corner and saw with joy a number of houses near the shore. Evidently we had been noticed, for soon after a small canoe rowed by three men pulling two oars apiece, put out from a tiny little harbour and came towards us.

"We had rowed altogether about nine miles, and every man was exhausted, and when the little canoe offered to tow us in we gladly accepted.

HOSPITABLE ISLANDERS.

"When we got ashore the people welcomed us, and hospitably gave us hot food and helped us to dry our clothes. There were only twenty poor families on the island, and they put us up in their cottages, and fed us with potatoes and salted mackerel—the only food they had. It was wonderful the way they did things for us. Most of the islanders could speak English. Our wireless operator, McGuire, being a Scotsman, could speak Gaelic, and was able to converse with the others in that language.

"I think it is a terrible privation on these poor folks to be absolutely cut off from the mainland, as they are.

CUT OFF FROM THE MAINLAND.

"Every man of the crew was very anxious to get into communication with the mainland, to let the people at home know that they were safe. The weather was so bad all Monday and Tuesday that it was impossible to even attempt to launch a boat. The islanders would not risk it, though they had offered to guide us to the mainland.

"On Wednesday morning it was blowing a nice breeze, and the sea had moderated considerably. The islanders were again consulted, but they maintained that the risk was still too great. At that four of the crew said that they could not stick it any longer, and that they were going to try and make land.

THE FOUR MEN IN THE BOAT.

"The people of Inishturk proclaimed it suicidal to do so, and to prevent them from making the attempt refused to lend them any oars. The skipper, also, advised them not to go.

"The four men then asked for volunteers from the rest of the crew, but no one would go with them.

"Nothing daunted, these four brave men:
C. C. Leahy, chief engineer;
J. J. Pine, boatswain;
Jack George, second mate, and
Tom Clydesdale, fireman
launched the ship's boat, and with its two oars, started on their hazardous journey for the mainland at 9.30 a.m.

"We gave them up as lost as we saw the way they were buffeted by wind and sea.

LEFT IN A SMACK.

"After they had left the Inishturk men decided to try to make Killary Harbour, on the mainland, in a small fishing smack, and to pick up the other four men if they were in trouble.

"Shortly after 11 o'clock we set out. We were rowing with three oars, and both our

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CARDIGAN CASTLE MYSTERY.

MAN AND SHIP'S DOG RESCUED.

TWO BODIES FOUND.

One member of the crew of the ill-fated Cardigan Castle is known to be safe.

On Monday morning some fishermen on Clare Island observed a small boat drifting about a mile out to sea. Although the weather was bad and the sea very rough, a number of them put out in a large rowing boat.

On reaching the drifting boat they found that it bore the name of the ss. Cardigan Castle, and that in it were a man and a dog. The man was in an exhausted and semi-conscious condition.

Taking the boat in tow, they brought it to the little harbour at Clare Island.

They took the man to a house, put him to bed, and generally looked after him. The sailor's condition is still rather weak, but news of his safety was brought to Westport yesterday by the "post" boat from Clare Island, which is situated about ten miles out to sea, from Westport, in the middle of Clew Bay.

SHIP'S DOG SAVED.

When the lifeboat was lowered from the Cardigan Castle, it is stated, that this sailor got in, and it had hardly touched the water when it was swept away. One of the other sailors jumped from the ship in an attempt to reach the boat, and was drowned before his eyes. The ship's dog, which swam about after the Cardigan Castle went down, was hauled on board by the sailor late in the night.

SEARCHERS RETURNING.

The two other Swansea trawlers—the Rotherslade Castle and the Perchilly Castle—were out all day yesterday scouring the islands around Clifden Bay. They were piloted by the mate of the ss Dan Angus, of Galway, Michael Falon, who knows the coast intimately.

The Free State fisheries patrol boat, the ss. Muirchu, which was sent from Valencia for the purpose, assisted in the search. Captain Thompson, its skipper, also knows the coast very well.

They returned from this search about 8 o'clock last night, and anchored outside Westport, Co. Mayo.

ANOTHER SURVIVOR?

No information is available as to the success or non-success of their search, but it is stated that on landing at a small uninhabited island, called Caher Island, a few miles to the north-west of Inishturk, they found one of the crew of the Cardigan Castle. He was in a very weak condition and unable to be removed, so men from the trawlers were left ashore to attend to him. It cannot be ascertained for certain if this report is authentic or not as it is impossible to establish communication with Westport after the arrival of the three search vessels at 8 o'clock last night.

HIGH ISLAND.

It is further stated that the three ships visited High Island in response to the message carved on a piece of timber picked up on the beach at Cleggan Bay on Wednesday evening, which said that three men were shipwrecked on that island. Owing to the high seas prevailing, it was not possible to launch a boat to land on the island.

Several small uninhabited islands, it is understood, were visited by the search parties from the two trawlers and the Muirchu, but nothing was found.

One of the trawlers will proceed to Clare Island at daybreak to-day to pick up the rescued sailor and to bring him to Westport for proper medical attention.

The search will be continued by the three ships to-day, when it is hoped that a landing will be effected on High Island.

"FOUND DROWNED."

INQUEST ON BODIES WASHED ASHORE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WESTPORT, Thursday Evening.

To-day when Mr. John Kelly, County Coroner, held an inquest at Roonagh on the bodies of two men of the trawler Cardigan Castle, which were washed ashore here yesterday, it was stated that on one body was found a diary, which appeared to be that of George R. Russell, the wireless operator. With the diary was a short will, leaving everything that he died possessed of to his wife. There was also a photograph of a woman, presumably his wife. The second body had nothing on it by which it could be identified.

Superintendent Walsh, Civic Guard, Westport, conducted the proceedings at the inquest, and evidence of the finding of the bodies on the shore was given by James McKeown, Aghany, and of the finding of the diary and other papers by Daniel Mullins, of the Civic Guard.

The jury (Mr. Richard Scott, foreman) brought in a verdict of "Found drowned."

THE LOSS OF THE CIRILE AMORES.

CAPTAIN'S ACCOUNT OF THE WRECK.

The captain of the Spanish steamer Cirile Amores, which went on the rocks off the Waterford coast last week, has told how his vessel was wrecked. He, like the other members of the crew, is a Spaniard, and the only one of the thirty-four men who has any knowledge of the English language. He and his men are still staying at Stradbally.

Captain Haerrera stated that his ship was laden with a cargo of 1,600 tons of oranges, fruit and wine, and sailed from Barcelona for Liverpool. On Thursday last week they left Vigo, and, encountering a raging sea, they sighted the Irish coast. When about five miles from land the rudder broke and he found his ship helpless. He sent out S.O.S. signals, lighted up flares, and being at the mercy of the waves he found himself drifting on to the coast. The wind was then blowing a gale from south-west, and about 11 o'clock, in pitch darkness, the steamer got a bump which shivered her from stem to stern. All hands got up and they found themselves knocking about on the rocks and being driven farther in-shore.

They kept the signals going and blew the siren continually, and it was close on morning when a man passing saw the fate of the vessel, and he immediately called on the Civic Guards of Stradbally, who came with all speed to the rescue. Under the direction of Sergeant Keane, a line was got from the vessel, and a stout cable was drawn on to the overhanging cliff. A "chair" was fitted up and the men all taken ashore without injury.

Meantime the steel vessel was driven in close to the cliff, and, with the high spring tide, she was lifted up, leaped a barrier of rocks, and landed on the sharp edge of the reefs in-shore. These pierced her hull and they now rise inside to a height of fifteen feet. At one time the ship had a list of twenty - five degrees, but a heavy wave righted her.

As she lies she seems a perfect picture of a splendid ship. All hopes have been abandoned of salving her, but the valuable cargo is being taken off.

OFFICIALS' SALARIES.

WHOLESALE REDUCTIONS IN CLARE.

Clare County Council spent over five hours on Wednesday discussing the salaries of their officials, and voting as to the sums by which they should be reduced. Eventually the salary of the Secretary was reduced by £120 per annum to £800, the County Surveyor by £100 to £800, the Law Adviser by £45 to £300, the Assistant Secretary by £28, and various subordinate officers by sums ranging from £50 to £10 per annum.

The Law Adviser warned the Council that their proceedings were irregular, while the Secretary and the County Surveyor intimated that they did not care what reduction the Council made, as they would have their remedy later.

STATISTICS BILL.

TRADERS ALARMED AT ITS TERMS.

SECRECY OF BANK ACCOUNTS.

REMARKABLE POWER OF CIVIC GUARD.

THE fact that, if the Statistics Bill becomes law in its present form, the Free State Government will have power to compel the banks to disclose the details of private accounts has caused a certain amount of uneasiness among depositors.

President Cosgrave, it is true, stated when the Bill was considered by a Select Committee of the Senate that the Government had no intention of examining private accounts; but he went the length of saying that he would rather resign than accept an amendment that would enable a bank official to refuse to disclose the details of a customer's account before the latter's consent had been given in writing.

NO PRECEDENT.

POWERS OF CIVIC GUARD.

A gentleman prominent in the banking and commercial life of Dublin, discussing the Statistics Bill with an *Irish Times* reporter yesterday, said:—"When the bill was introduced it was stated in the Dail that it was on the same lines as the Acts passed in other Dominion Parliaments. But in reality it goes much farther than the Acts in Canada, Australia, or elsewhere, and whoever supplied the President with this information was incorrect in his statement.

"For instance, the authority given to the Civic Guard when in uniform to demand information without producing a warrant, is of such a startling character that, if its real significance is understood it is bound to create intense resentment.

"If a man dressed in the uniform of a Guard, who is not a member of the Force, goes into a bank and demands information, how is anyone to know that he is not authorised to demand it? It is common knowledge that men have dressed up in uniform and personated Civic Guards. Yet, the authorities hold that for the purposes of this bill the Guard is not to be provided with a warrant!

MONEY WITHDRAWN.

"There is another aspect. I have been informed, though I cannot verify it, that large sums have already been removed from some of the banks to another country. If there is one thing outstanding, it is the secrecy of the banks. That has been one of the 'stand-bys' of the country. The banks are absolutely trusted by the general public, who believe that their secrecy is as inviolable as that of the Confessional. If now Government officials are to be allowed to pry into all these affairs, it is bound to create consternation and alarm.

"Take the position of the Irish farmer, for instance. Once he thinks that his affairs can be looked into by Government officials there will be a tremendous outcry. Already the beginning of it can be seen.

"President Cosgrave's statement that sooner than accept the amendment he would resign, shows that there is very much more importance attached to the matter than he would have people believe. There is no use in the President's getting up and saying that the bill will never be used in the manner suggested; for he knows perfectly well that if it came to a test in a court of law, the judge would decide the matter on the words in the bill, and not on any statement that a Minister might have made concerning the Government's intentions. Mr. Andrew Jameson very correctly drew attention to that point during the discussion at the Select Committee of the Senate.

"As the Chairman put it, the acceptance of Sir Thomas Esmonde's amendment would create a feeling of security among the banks' customers."

CAPABLE OF ABUSE.

VIEW OF SUPPORTER OF THE BILL.

A leading business man said that he was satisfied with the Government's proposals. "The Statistics Bill as presented by the Government," he said, "appears to follow, without any variations, similar bills in Canada, Australia, and South Africa, where the Governments of these countries have obtained for themselves exactly the same powers as are now sought by the Free State Government under Clause 7 of the bill."

It would be admitted, he said, that the powers were capable of being abused, and, therefore, if the Government could give any assurances to allay the fears of those who had expressed doubts on the matter, it would be a great advantage. To secure the approval and confidence of the citizens must be a matter of concern for the Government.

He was quite confident that there would be no prying into private banking accounts. He, in common with other business men who had to supply statistics as to their business, did not apprehend that there would be any prying into private affairs.

BLOW AT PROSPERITY.

A gentleman who is closely associated with the cattle trade and other commercial interests said:—"The uncertainty of the situation as regards the bill—which has not been fully explained—has caused a good deal of uneasiness. Among traders in the Cattle Market the attitude of the Government in the matter is resented. They consider that it hits at the heart and soul of what makes business prosperous—that is the fact that men or firms can rely on their methods of doing business not being disclosed to the world. If this were done the result would be disastrous for the country and of no benefit to anyone. It may be that the Government want certain information for statistical purposes only, but this should be made perfectly clear in the bill."

THE LABOUR VIEW.

Mr. R. J. P. Mortished, Assistant Secretary of the Irish Labour Party and Trade Union Congress, expressed the view that the Senate were losing sight of the need for accurate and adequate statistics by paying attention to details which were of no concern. On this particular matter he thought that the Senate was making a mountain out of a mole-hill.

THE ROAD FUND.

MR. CHURCHILL AND THE MOTORISTS.

In his reply yesterday to the Motor Association's deputation, representing the Road Fund, Mr. Churchill said that he could not accept the extreme view put forward by one of the spokesmen, either in respect to the devotion for all time or of the whole yield of motor duties to the upkeep or construction of roads, or in respect to any special position in the State occupied by motorists, which was different from that of the general body of taxpayers.

He was sure that, if circumstances arose in which it would be necessary for the Government to avail itself of the resources of the Road Fund, motorists would act like patriotic citizens, and claim no position of special privilege.

He denied that there was any intention of suspending the development of new roads. Pointing out that it was a question whether we were not spending more on roads than we could afford, he said that the Government would weigh conflicting claims carefully, and he was certain that the deputation would not find in his Budget statement that the progress of the motor industry, or the normal reasonable development of internal communications, would be seriously injured or violently arrested.

Expected to employ 2,000 British workpeople, the English works at Slough, for the manufacture of Citroen cars, were opened yesterday.

WIRELESS STRIKE SETTLED.

OPERATORS RETURNING TO WORK.

The wireless operators' strike was settled at the Ministry of Labour, in London, at 11.40 last night, and work will be resumed immediately.

Mr. Tuck, Secretary of the men's union, stated that the resumption of work is to take place on the new rates of pay and at the reduction demanded by the employers—namely, twenty-two shillings and sixpence a month. The whole of the matters in dispute, including wages, are to be the subject of negotiation after the resumption of work, and if no settlement is reached, the questions in dispute are to be referred to arbitration.

BY-ELECTIONS.

SMALL POLL IN COUNTY DUBLIN.

Polling took place yesterday in connection with the by-elections in Co. Dublin and Leix-Offaly.

So far as Co. Dublin is concerned, the election was one of the dullest on record. The public took but slight interest in it, and it was estimated last night that not more than 30 per cent. of the persons on the register took the trouble to go to the polling booths.

In the Northern and Southern Divisions of the County about 10 per cent. of the electorate had voted at 2 o'clock, while in Pembroke, Rathmines, and Donnybrook not more than 5 per cent. had voted. Howth, Lucan, and Rathfarnham were about the only areas where polling was at all brisk in the early part of the day. In the evening after business hours considerable numbers went to the booths, but at no time, not even during the last half hour, were the officials unduly rushed.

In Kingstown 1,992 persons voted out of a Parliamentary register of 6,600, or something over 30 per cent. Under 29 per cent. went to the poll in Dalkey, 659 voting out of 2,300. There was about a 30 per cent. poll in Monkstown, and the average of voting was no higher in Blackrock. The same average was recorded in the outlying districts.

In Leix and Offaly, where the election was fought with great vigour by all three candidates, polling was brisk all during the day. Our Maryborough Correspondent estimates that in Leix 75 per cent. of the voters went to the poll, and our Tullamore Correspondent says that in Offaly there was a 60 per cent. poll.

In both constituencies the count begins this morning.

THE CHURCHES AND REUNION.

VIEWS OF THE BISHOPS.

The Convocation of Canterbury met yesterday at Westminster. In the Upper House a debate took place on the present position in regard to Church Reunion.

The Bishop of Truro expressed the opinion that, though the desire for a revival of reunion had penetrated deeply into the hearts of a certain section, it had not yet leavened the lump. The wastefulness of disunion was criminal—its rivalry suicidal.

The Bishop of Winchester said that they had reached a stage when the Church should set her face to the conversion of the rank-and-file. There were large blocks disgracefully content with the *status quo*.

The Bishop of London deplored popular apathy on the subject, and the Bishop of Worcester saw in the utterances of Nonconformist leaders a steady fall of the barometer.

The Bishop of St. Albans said that they had to face what was being thrown frequently at the Church—that it was ridiculous for them to be talking about reunion with other Churches until they had put their own house in order.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said that there was great danger of going into a backwater. There was apathy, and many Churchmen and Nonconformists seemed prepared to go on as they were now. There should be a waking up and a stimulating of the Church in that matter.

The House adopted the Bishop of Truro's motion, commending to the prayerful consideration of the Church the documents that emerged from the Lambeth Conference.

FRANCE AND MDLLE. LENGLEN.

SUGGESTED BESTOWAL OF LEGION OF HONOUR.

PARIS, February 18.

The French Press continues to exult over Mdlle. Lenglen's victory over Miss Helen Wills, and the suggestion is made in several newspapers that the best way to recognise the manner in which she has upheld French prestige before the world would be to award her the Legion of Honour.

It so happens that this morning's official journal publishes a list of French sportsmen to whom the coveted ribbon has been awarded, among them being the Olympic fencing champion, Roger Ducret, and it is declared that Mdlle. Lenglen's name ought to appear in the next list.

COUNTESS CATHCART IN TEARS.

"THANK GOD, THIS IS NOT BRITISH JUSTICE."

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Mr. Davies, Secretary of Labour, having given his final ruling in the case of Vera Countess Cathcart, it is understood that the Countess, through her lawyer, will now endeavour to obtain a permit to enter through legal channels, and for this purpose her counsel is preparing to apply for a writ of *habeas corpus* to secure her release from Ellis Island and her entrance into the United States under bond.

Countess Cathcart, on being formally notified this morning of the order for her exclusion, said:—"I will fight until I jolly well have to give in. Thank God, this is not British justice. In England a person is not guilty until proved guilty: here he is guilty, whether innocent or not. Thank God, they could not put me in the electric chair." Then, bursting into tears, the Countess asked, "Why did they consider me a dangerous woman?"—(Reuter.)

THE BRITANNIA TROPHY

AWARDED TO MR. COBHAM.

The Royal Aero Club has awarded the Britannia Trophy for the year 1925 to Mr. A. J. Cobham, whose flight with Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Brancker from London to India and back was considered the most meritorious performance in the air by a British aviator during the year.

Mr. Cobham left London on the 20th November, 1924, and arrived back on the 17th March, 1925. The machine was a D.H. 50, 250 h.p. Siddeley Puma engine.

DUCHESS OF ABERCORN.

SERIOUSLY INDISPOSED IN LONDON.

An official statement issued in Belfast last evening states that the Duchess of Abercorn, wife of the Governor of Northern Ireland, is seriously indisposed in London, and may have to undergo an operation at an early date.

LATE NEWS

THE FRENCH BUDGET.

M. DOUMER'S NEW DEMANDS.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

M. Doumer, the Finance Minister, has at once taken up before the Senate a number of the demands which the Chamber had forced him to drop. Thus, in addition to the 4,200,000,000 francs which is required to balance the Budget, he urges the necessity of providing for funds to cover the interest on advances from the Banque de France amounting to 925,000,000 francs, and a minimum of 600,000,000 francs to start the sinking fund. The total deficit which he presented yesterday to the Finance Committee of the Senate accordingly amounted to 5,525,000,000 francs. To cover this deficit he asked the Senate Committee to consider a number of increases in taxation which the Chamber had rejected—namely, the higher rates for tobacco, the additional duties on salt, coffee and alcohol, and an additional 30 *per cent.* on the general Customs tariffs. Besides this he proposed that 200,000,000 francs should be raised from the sale of State property and 2,400,000,000 francs by the tax on sales, the rate to be 1.2 *per cent.* M. Doumer calculated that the additional revenue accruing from these taxes, together with the 1,600,000,000 francs already voted by the Chamber, would exactly make up the deficit.

The Finance Committee of the Senate began its examination of the bill received from the Chamber. It made certain amendments in the articles dealing with fiscal reforms; among other things, it suppressed the absurd provision that details of the private incomes of deputies, including the number of motor cars they own and the rent they pay for their dwellings, should be published in the *Journal Officiel*. Protests against the payment of the extra levy of income tax for 1925 are becoming more and more numerous. The shopkeepers of Rouen, Havre, Elbeuf and several other towns in Normandy have followed the example of Dieppe, and put up their shutters for two hours in the middle of the afternoon as a demonstration of indignation against the unfairness of the tax.

INOPPORTUNE.

CIVIL SERVANTS' SPORTS GROUND SCHEME.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer adopted a very firm attitude yesterday when he received a deputation of protest against the allocation of £200,000 of public money for the provision of sports grounds for civil servants, remarks *The Times* editorially. The Government have apparently made up their mind, and do not propose to withdraw the grant, nor do they seem willing to bid members vote as they please when it comes before the House. Yesterday's deputation consisted of about a hundred Unionists, who are by no means hostile to the proposal in principle, but maintain that the present moment is quite inopportune for putting it into practice.

Private firms which have been cited as donors of athletic grounds to their employes do not indulge their generous impulses in profitless years, and the Government's finances at the moment are in a bad way. The proposal, in truth, is altogether inopportune, and should have been deferred.

OIL COMPANIES AND AERO CLUBS.

The Times announces:—The Anglo-American Oil Company, Limited, the British Petroleum Company, the Redline Motor Spirit Company, Limited, and Shell-Mex, Limited, all of which are petrol distributing companies, have together handed to the Royal Aero Club the sum of £1,000, which is to be applied for the purpose of encouraging light aeroplane clubs under the Air Ministry scheme.

TRINIDAD STEAMER SUNK.

TWELVE PERSONS LOST.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
PORT OF SPAIN, Thursday.

The Naparima, a small passenger steamer employed in the Government service between Port of Spain and neighbouring islands, came into collision at 3.30 on Wednesday afternoon, in bright sunshine and on a calm sea, with the Lampert and Holt steamship, Vandyck, 13,233 tons, which was leaving Trinidad for Barbadoes. The impact tore the Naparima's stern away, and she sank in twelve minutes. Twelve persons are known to have been drowned, ten of whom were passengers.

Some of the survivors were afloat in the sea for nearly an hour. Of the dead, nine have not been recovered. One of the missing is Mr. Arthur Hitchin, a well-known Church worker from Burnley, Lancashire, who arrived here in January as a missionary, and to study for the priesthood under the Bishop of Trinidad. He had visited the island leper settlement, and was returning in the Naparima.

The Vandyck returned to Port of Spain, and was detained for an official inquiry this morning. It is feared that the death roll may be heavier than that stated, as no passenger register is kept on shore, and the purser was among the drowned.

TWO SHIPS IN DISTRESS.

BREST, Thursday.

A tempestuous sea is raging off the coast, and appeals for assistance have been received from the British steamer Cornio (? Corning), which is disabled sixty miles off Ushant, and also from the Dutch steamer Boeton, of the Netherlands Steamship Company, with a cargo of tobacco, which is reported on fire.

Lifeboats have been sent out from Brest to the help of both vessels.

DUBLIN TRAMWAYS.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO LEIXLIP.

A memorial petitioning the Dublin United Tramways Company to extend the tramway service and electric lighting supply to Leixlip was supported by the Kildare County Council on Wednesday.

The memorial stated that the population of Leixlip was about 800, and that, as the railway station was one mile distant, the tramcars would be certain to be used exclusively. At the present time the 'buses were the one means of travelling to Dublin used, and their service was but an indifferent one.

A large number of residents in Leixlip travelled to business in Dublin every morning, and a big percentage of the inhabitants purchased their household commodities in Dublin. The village had very many attractions from a scenic point of view, and if the tram service were extended so far, it was certain that in a short time it would be a populous residential suburb.

"FOREIGN" GAMES BAN.

CLARE CONVENTION'S VOTE FOR RETENTION.

Two motions from clubs in connection with the ban on "foreign" games—one to remove it and the other to retain it—were considered at the annual Convention of the Clare Gaelic Athletic Association, over which the Rev. M. Hamilton presided. The Convention, by 30 votes to 17, instructed its delegates to Congress to vote for the retention of the ban.

The Rev. M. Hamilton was unanimously re-elected President, and Mr. P. O'Brien, Vice-President. For the latter office Mr. T. Gardiner had also been nominated, but the nomination was ruled out of order, as the envelope in which it had been forwarded had been addressed in English.

The White Star Line announces that the ss. Pittsburgh (16,322 tons), carrying cabin and third class passengers only, will make special sailings from Queenstown for New York on March 7th and April 4th, and, for the convenience of passengers going to Canada, will call at Halifax, N.S., *en route*. The Pittsburgh is a sister ship of the White Star liners Doric and Regina.

TOURIST TRAFFIC DEVELOPMENT.

SUGGESTIONS BY IRISH RAILWAY CHIEF.

AMERICAN AGENCY VIEW OF IRELAND.

The American tourist agencies state that the cost of a tour in Ireland works out at from £3 to £4 a day; that the railway carriages are dirty; that the hotels are inadequate, and that travelling conditions in Ireland are reminiscent of life in the trenches.

This statement was made yesterday at the Dublin Publicity Club luncheon, at Clery's Restaurant, by Dr. Towne Mylander, of the Department of Economics in Princeton University, United States, when Mr. F. Keogh, General Manager of the Great Southern Railways, spoke on the development of tourist traffic in Ireland, and advised concentration on the preparation for the reception of tourists, and the offering of inducements to secure that the holiday season should not be restricted to two or three months around August.

Dr. Mylander explained that American teachers are obliged by law to travel for forty-five days of their holidays, and as they could not afford to spend more than £120 or £140 on their tour, they could only visit Ireland when the average daily cost works out at from £2 to £2 10s.

TOURIST TRAFFIC.

EVERYONE INTERESTED.

Mr. M. F. Keogh said that of the many schemes which are under discussion for the promotion of the material prosperity of the country there was one which he would place in the first category—namely, the revival and further development of the tourist industry in Ireland. While the scheme was of exceptional importance to carrying companies and to hotel proprietors, it also concerned more or less materially every individual in the country, however remote his or her interest may be. Every inhabitant, whatever his occupation in life, is affected by the economic circumstances of the country in which he lives, and benefits, indirectly it may be, but none the less effectually, by any improvement in the condition of State finances. They had heard a great deal recently of the adverse balance of trade; visible and invisible exports and imports had been discussed from every angle, and it was common ground that the creation of a balance in favour of the Free State is of the utmost importance to the nation as a whole. One of the most effective methods of bringing about this desirable end is to increase the flow of tourists into the country, and by doing so every interest, even every individual, will be advantaged.

He would leave it to the economist to determine whether the harmless visitor from overseas was to be classified as an invisible export or otherwise. Suffice it to say that the economic effect of his incursion, with money to spend on lodging and necessaries, is in no way dissimilar to a cash remittance in payment of produce or manufactured articles, and will be no less effectual in helping forward the adjustment of the trade balance. He contended, therefore, that the development of a tourist business was a matter of concern for every district and every citizen, however remote the direct connection with, tourist resorts or the occupation of the individual may be.

A PROMISING FIELD.

In many respects Ireland offers a most promising field for building up a tourist business on a large scale. The scenery is attractive, the people are hospitable and kindly, the opportunities for sport are greater than in most countries, and we have on the one side proximity to the main centres of population in Great Britain, and on the other a place on the highway between the new world and the old. Furthermore, Ireland has contributed to the colonisation of countries beyond the seas to a greater extent in proportion to the home population, probably, than any other nation in Europe, with the result that the sentiment of interest in and affection for the old country animates an immense number of permanent residents abroad, and is an inducement to them to visit and re-visit the country of their origin. These several circumstances must be regarded as important assets in considering the possibilities of Ireland as an international playground.

We should not, however, entirely overlook the drawbacks, or the difficulties which stand in the way of tourist development. We are now, and we may in the future, be increasingly in competition with countries where the catering for strangers is not only in the nature of a speciality, but has been raised to a very high level indeed; and if we are to secure our due share of patronage we must be prepared to adopt and to maintain standards in regard alike to facilities, accommodation and value for money which will compare not unfavourably with those obtaining elsewhere. The competition has to be faced squarely; we have to attract visitors, in face of the blandishments of innumerable resorts, all keenly competing for favour, and many of them possessing natural advantage different, but no less alluring, than our own.

PREMATURE PROPAGANDA.

If a tourist is induced to visit Ireland in the expectation of finding accommodation, facilities and prices similar to what he is accustomed to in his own country, and he finds himself deceived, not only will be never come again, but he will broadcast his dissatisfaction, and warn all his friends to give Ireland as a holiday resort a wide berth. Therefore, while he (Mr. Keogh) did not belittle the value of advertising he did urge that premature propaganda was an actual danger, and that we should put our house in order, literally, in the case of those who control our hotels and boarding establishments, before seeking to attract visitors on a large scale. A good deal had been attempted in preparing the way, and not a little had been accomplished.

Let us, Mr. Keogh said, concentrate our energies on the completion of the preparations for the reception of the tourists, and let all inducements be offered to secure that the holiday season shall not be restricted to the two or two and a half months around August. If efforts were now directed to the objects that he had indicated, to be followed in due course by a judicious advertising campaign, he had the utmost confidence that the tourist industry in Ireland could be re-established on such a scale as to assist materially in promoting the prosperity of the whole nation.

AN AMERICAN AGENCY VIEW.

Dr. Towne Mylander, of the Department of Economics, Princeton University, United

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States, who was called upon, said that he was deeply interested in Ireland, because his wife was of Irish extraction. He was specially interested in the summer tours of teachers and students in the Universities. Last year 750,000 teachers and students visited France, having availed themselves of the low travelling fares which were afforded them. It was estimated that their purchases in France alone averaged 450 dollars per head. That would give some idea of the value of the tourist traffic to European countries. Sixty-two per cent. of the tourists were teachers and students, and of that number one-fifth were of Irish extraction. A large number of them would have visited Ireland, but that their means were limited, and the cost was prohibitive.

The American tourist agencies stated that the cost of a tour in Ireland would work out at from £3 to £4 a day; that the railway carriages were dirty; that the hotels were inadequate; that travelling conditions in Ireland were reminiscent of life in the trenches. American teachers were obliged by law to travel forty-five days of their holidays, or to attend a summer school for forty-two days. Most of them preferred to travel, but as they could not afford only from £120 to £140 for their holidays they could not visit Ireland, unless the average daily cost was about £2 or £2 10s. If a tour at that figure could be arranged, he stated confidently that our facilities for tourists would be taxed to the utmost to accommodate the American visitors. Americans did not demand *de luxe* accommodation at that figure. All that they required was good food, comfort, cleanliness and reliability of service. From what he had seen of Ireland those requirements could be supplied, but that information should be broadcasted. He did not think that the natural beauty of Ireland needed a great deal of advertising, but we needed to concentrate a great deal on our travelling and hotel facilities.

RECIPROCITY WELCOMED.

He would like to see reciprocity in this matter, and see large numbers of Irish teachers and students visiting the States. The cost was not enormous; travelling third class, a three weeks' tour of the United States could be arranged for a party at £80 per head. All the Universities in the States had entered into the spirit of such tours and had placed the accommodation of their residential buildings at the disposal of touring students and teachers at a nominal price that barely covered the staff expenses. Also big industrial and scientific undertakings in the States gave such students unequalled opportunities for studying their methods, many of them allowing such visitors to spend days in their factories and laboratories.

Such tours, and the exchange of ideas that they involved, would be of immense value, intellectually as well as financially, to both countries.

Mr. David Barry, in proposing a vote of thanks to the speakers, recommended that Mr. Keogh's address should be printed and circulated by the Irish Tourist Development Association.

Dr. Lombard Murphy, in seconding, mentioned that Austria, though in desperate financial circumstances, subjected tourists—even their hereditary enemies, the Italians—to a purely nominal Customs examination in order to encourage them to visit Austria. He urged that our Government should adopt similar methods. Our Customs officers should have sufficient training and discretion to distinguish between a smuggler and a genuine tourist, and grant to the latter every possible facility. Even if the tourist had a few cigarettes concealed in a bag which the officer did not open, the loss to the revenue was trifling compared with the gain from making a good impression on the tourist who visited our shores.

The vote of thanks was passed.

ADAPTATION OF CHARTERS BILL.

REPORTED WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

The Select Committee which was appointed by the Senate to consider the Adaptation of Charters Bill met yesterday afternoon, and decided that the bill be reported to the House without amendment.

Senator Douglas presided, and there were present:—Sir John Keane, the Right Hon. A. Jameson, Mr. H. S. Guinness, Mrs. Wyse Power, and Mr. Farren.

President Cosgrave was also present.

There were only two amendments, both from Mr. Jameson, their object being that certain chartered bodies in the country and in Dublin, which were doing some Government business, should not be hampered or unduly interfered with. It was mentioned in the course of a brief discussion by Mr. Jameson and Mr. Guinness that under the bill when it becomes an Act the Government might send in a Commissioner to represent them in the administration of such chartered bodies. The College of Physicians, the Bank of Ireland, and Swift's Hospital were mentioned.

The President said that the purpose of the bill was not to alter an existing charter, but to remove an infirmity. There were bodies for which the Lord Chancellor or the Lord Chief Justice had the power to appoint governors, but, as these officials no longer existed, the Government required authority to fill the vacancies.

Mrs. Wyse-Power—Does the bill give power to interfere with the charters of the Dublin Corporation?

The President—No, nor with any other charter.

Mr. Jameson did not press his amendments, it being understood that he would be enabled to bring them up on the Report stage in the Senate.

OBITUARY.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR ARTHUR LYTTELTON-ANNESLEY.

Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Lyttelton-Annesley, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., died at his residence, Templemere, Weybridge, yesterday, in his eighty-seventh year. Sir Arthur was the elder son of Arthur Lyttelton-Annesley, of Arley Castle, Staffordshire, and Camolin Park, County Wexford.

Educated at Harrow, he joined the 11th Hussars in 1854, and was present at the siege and capture of Sebastopol, receiving the medal and clasp and the Turkish medal. He served afterwards for ten years with the 11th Hussars in India, commanded it for some years, and brought it home.

Sir Arthur had been *aide-de-camp* to Field-Marshal H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge, Assistant Adjutant-General of the Forces, Adjutant-General of the Bombay Army, and for five years he commanded the troops in Scotland. He was on the staff of the Prince of Wales (afterwards King Edward VII.) from 1875 to 1876, and accompanied him on his tour of India, returning to England with His Royal Highness through Egypt, Spain and Paris.

Sir Arthur was Honorary Colonel of the 11th Hussars, and was awarded the good service pension for distinguished and meritorious service. A Knight Commander of the Order of Christ of Portugal, he possessed King Edward's and King George's Coronation Medals and the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal.

Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Lyttelton-Annesley was unmarried. He was representative, in the female line, of the Annesleys, Earls of Mount Norris, and Viscounts Valentia, and of George, first Viscount Lyttelton.

COLONEL GILBERT L. NUGENT.

Colonel Gilbert L. Nugent died yesterday at his residence, Castletowngeoghegan, Westmeath, aged 65 years. A member of one of the oldest families in Westmeath, Colonel Gilbert Nugent was popular with all classes. In the Midlands and throughout Ireland he was known as an enthusiastic sportsman. Colonel Nugent was a member of the Westmeath Hunt. For many years he held the Commission of the Peace, and before its disbandment he commanded the 6th Battalion of the Rifle Brigade in Mullingar.

MR. T. W. ROSEINGRAVE.

The death has taken place, at Gort, of Mr. T. W. Roseingrave, B.E., at the age of 76 years. Mr. Roseingrave was one of the best-known civil engineers in the West of Ireland. For more than half a century he was almost constantly engaged as a valuer of land for tenants. He had acted also as engineer to various public bodies.

BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Since January, 1921, 374 Students of SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, were successful at Bank exams, viz.:—National, 142; Bank of Ireland, 57; Hibernian, 57; Munster and Leinster, 56; Provincial, 43; Ulster, Northern, Royal, etc., 19. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes working for all Bank exams.—(Advt.)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

COMMONS RATIFY IRAQ TREATY.

MR. AMERY AND THE LIBERAL AMENDMENT.

SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN DEFENDS LEAGUE.

(From Our Parliamentary Correspondent.)

WESTMINSTER, Thursday.

The House of Commons was well filled this afternoon when the Speaker took the Chair, members arriving in force, owing to the Iraq debate. Questions were not of great importance, the greater number put relating to the affairs of the Ministry of Pensions.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, who is a trustee of the British Museum, presented a petition from the other trustees, pointing out that their income was not sufficient to enable them to carry out their trust efficiently, and praying the House to grant further support towards enabling them to execute the trust imposed upon them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge.

The Home Secretary, answering questions concerning the use of white overalls for police duty, said that he did not think that a case had been made out for their use in London. Mr. MacQuisten suggested that, with a view to satisfying the susceptibilities of his Socialist friends opposite, the Home Secretary should give the policemen red flags. Mr. Ben Spoor asked the Home Secretary a question concerning the organisation for the maintenance of supplies, and was told that the Government would welcome the assistance of the organisation referred to, or of any other organisation in a position to place at the Government's disposal, in an emergency, a list of persons prepared to carry on essential services.

THE IRAQ TREATY.

Seeing that he had already fully explained the position, Mr. Amery, the Colonial Secretary, made an unnecessarily long speech this evening in asking the House to ratify the Treaty arranged with Iraq. There was this to be said for him, however, that he felt it incumbent upon him to criticise in advance the Labour amendment which had been placed upon the paper, suggesting that the period of responsibility should not be extended, and that every effort should be made to expedite the entry of Iraq into the League of Nations.

The acceptance of this amendment, said Mr. Amery, would not only destroy the present Treaty, but would amount to a rejection of the whole award of the League of nations, and would once more throw the State of Iraq into the melting pot. It would make us ridiculous in the eyes of the League of Nations, contemptible in the eyes of the Turk, and odious in the eyes of the people of Iraq.

The Treaty did not mean that we were any less anxious to see Iraq stand on her own feet. That policy remained unchanged, as did also the policy of bringing our responsibilities in Iraq to an end in 1928. The benefit accruing from the Treaty would stabilise the position, and render Iraq more capable of supporting its own burdens. What we want, said Mr. Amery, is stability, and we are prepared to do anything in reason to ensure it.

THE GLAD EYE.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, in moving the amendment, asserted that the League of Nations never invited the Colonial Secretary to extend the mandate until he himself suggested it. I have never known a "glad eye" given with so much *sangfroid* and self-possession as that beautiful little prompting made by the right hon. gentleman at Geneva, said Mr. Macdonald. The courtship being developed, Mr. Amery now came to the House, and said that they must accept the extended mandate, or else be false to the League of Nations.

Then followed a series of questions, which the Socialist leader hoped the Colonial Secretary would be able to answer. Was this country to be responsible for Iraq's future financial policy? If there were internal disturbances, was this country, as the mandatory Power, to do nothing? What was our position if Iraq was attacked from outside? Mr. Macdonald was very much inclined to doubt whether these or other questions could be satisfactorily answered. It seemed to him that we were being rushed into obligations which nobody really understood. So far from proving a blessing, it was conceivable that the Treaty would involve us in untold troubles.

Major Hills, who succeeded the present Lord Irwin in the representation of Ripon, suggested that Mr. Macdonald's speech would have been more effective if he had told the House what, in his opinion, would have happened if we had rejected the award of the League of Nations. Mr. Purcell declared that there never would have been an Iraq problem if there had been no oil.

FOREIGN SECRETARY AND THE LEAGUE.

Sir A. Chamberlain, towards the end of the discussion, warmly defended the League of Nations from the attacks which had been made upon its integrity. He urged that, so far from being a menace to the peace of the world, its whole object was to reconcile warring interests; and to say that it acted unjustly to the weaker nations was an insult to every country represented upon it. So weak, indeed, was the case put forward by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald that he had found himself impelled to impugn the honour of the Council of the League.

Mr. Macdonald interrupted with the remark that nothing was further from his intentions.

Sir A. Chamberlain said that he was glad to hear it, but there was no doubt that the sole purpose of some of his so-called followers was to blacken the League in the eyes of the world. The Foreign Secretary said that the negotiations with Turkey, following the decision of the League, would be conducted with an earnest desire to arrive at a friendly settlement. Oil, emphatically, he declared, was never a consideration with the British Government in this matter, and those who asserted that it was were giving utterance to a palpable untruth.

The debate that followed was the reverse of exciting, and comparatively few members stayed to listen to the back-bench speeches. Most of the Labour men who spoke made no secret of the fact that they will do their best to secure the cancellation of the Treaty when the next Socialist Government takes office.

The Labour amendment was rejected by 265 votes to 116, and the Treaty was ratified.

AGRICULTURAL POLICY.

In the House of Lords there was an academic debate on the Government's agricultural policy, as so far disclosed by the White Paper. Lord Parmoor, who initiated the discussion, declared that the statement in question was nothing but a string of rhetorical phrases, which meant nothing, and which were devoid of a single constructive idea. If this was the best that could be devised by a Party which called itself the farmers' friend, he was sorry for the future of agriculture in this country.

Lord Bledisloe, speaking for the Government, doubted whether the majority of people who had studied the White Paper would agree with the noble lord that the Government had nothing practical to offer to the farmers. He believed that credit facilities on reasonable terms would prove of enormous advantage to those engaged in the farming industry. The Government's desire was to help the farmers to help themselves, rather than to provide any form of subsidy, or to set up a system of tariffs. Both were undesirable, and he asserted that farmers generally would rather have no control and no subsidy than have a subsidy with control. He believed that the Government's policy would receive a much larger measure of support than that advocated by Mr. Lloyd George, whose policy was calculated to "strike a blow at the whole basis of property in the country." The salvation of agriculture could not be achieved by platform hysterics, by spectacular party crusades, or by revolutionary land programmes.

"A SINISTER FRAUD."

"The public have been the victims of a sinister fraud," said District Justice Hannan at Clones on Tuesday, in imposing a fine of £3 and 20s. costs on H. Bleakley, merchant, Clones, for selling "butter" which contained 30 per cent. of foreign matter. The Justice said that he felt sorry for traders who purchased such butter without written warranty, as they had no means of protecting themselves. A witness from the Department of Agriculture said that the article, instead of being butter, was virtually margarine.

TENBY CASTLE RESCUES.

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men and the Inishturk men took turns at them. After a rough crossing we got into Killary Harbour at 4 o'clock.

"We had then to walk four miles to the post office and Renvyle, from where we telegraphed the news of our safety to Galway. While there we learned to our intense joy that our four shipmates had arrived in Cleggan, safe and sound.

7½ HOURS IN A SMALL BOAT.

"It is wonderful to what heights the courage of a seaman can rise when occasion demands, and Leahy, Pine, George and Clydesdale proved their mettle on Wednesday.

"They were battling with the sea in a heavy boat with only two oars from 9.30 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the evening, when they arrived at Cleggan Harbour. They were telling me afterwards in the Clifden Railway Hotel about their experiences. After they got down a couple of miles from Inishturk they got the full force of the big Atlantic breakers.

"It was only the superb seamanship of Pine, the boatswain, at the tiller, that got them through at all. He manœuvred the boat in the heavy seas without a stop for near eight hours, whilst the other three took their turns at the oars.

"Never before had they suffered so much or endured so much hardship as during that eight hours' journey over the twelve miles of sea that separated them from Cleggan Bay.

NO REST FOR THE THIRD MAN.

"Their real difficulties started when they got to the leeward of Inishoffin Island. The locality abounded with rocks, which were dangerous, inasmuch as they broke the sea from big breaking swells into irregular-crested waves. The third man, instead of resting, had to bale the boat continuously.

"To add to their danger, the four adventurers had left without taking lifebelts or food with them.

"The drift of the tides had also to be watched, as their progress was too slow to help them once they got caught in a current."

NO BEACON LIGHTS.

In concluding his story, Mr. Browne said that that particular section of the Irish coast where they were wrecked is very treacherous, and yet there was no lighthouse or beacon to guide ships between Slyne Head and Achill Head. They had been seven days out from Swansea when they were wrecked. They had only one more day's fishing to fill their holds.

"Twelve days was the usual duration of their trip, and it was rather a coincidence that they—the crew without the ship—would put into Swansea on the twelfth day from the time they left it.

IRISH HOSPITALITY.

"Nothing could exceed," he said, "the manner in which the poor people on Inishturk, and later at Clifden, looked after them.

"They gave us a real sample of Irish hospitality, such as none of us will ever forget. I never thought there was anything like it in the world. They mothered us."

LONG STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

HOW THE TENBY CASTLE WENT DOWN.

From Our Own Correspondent.

GALWAY, Wednesday.

Dressed in nondescript clothing provided for them by the good people of Clifden and housed in two railway carriages, I came upon the twelve men of the Swansea steam trawler Tenby Castle, as they travelled from Clifden to Galway to-day. As we journeyed down together they told me some thrilling stories of their fight for life in a dense fog and a terrific gale, after their trawler had struck a rock on the north of Inishturk Island, in the darkness of Sunday morning.

The escape from certain death had brought forth two heroes, fireman T. A. Clydesdale, who jumped after the lifeboat when it had broken loose; and the weather-beaten skipper, Captain Wellburn, who kept up the hearts of the crew all through the long Sunday morning row for the land that lay three miles to the eastward of the spot where the drifting trawler had sunk.

DARKNESS THAT COULD BE FELT.

Interrupted only by the crowd who gathered to bid them welcome at the country stations, this was the tale that was told me by the skipper and wireless operator, Gus McGuire, who had served with the British Navy all through the war:—

"It was such a night as one seldom witnesses around these islands. The darkness could be felt and the sea blew great guns from the south-west. We had practically finished our fishing cruise and were making slowly and cautiously down the coastline for land shelter. We saw no light, and at about five o'clock in the morning when some members of the crew were asleep we suddenly struck a rock forward. There was a shock and a lurch and some of the sailors were hurled violently out of their bunks. All hands stood to and engines were reversed.

"When the ship was brought full astern we found that she was leaking badly in the fore part. At 5.10 we sent out an S.O.S., which was answered by Valentia, which informed us that there were no ships in that vicinity to come to our assistance, but that they would rush a boat from Fenit as soon as possible. When the trawler had drifted away from the land for about a mile we dropped the anchor in thirty-five fathoms of water, but it was too dark for us to see anything.

"We had launched the boat previously to this, and had got everything ready to abandon the ship. We burned flares on the top of the pithouse and in the fish pounds, in the hope of attracting attention from land or sea. At seven a.m., when things looked exceedingly black and the trawler was lurching and doomed, we sent out our final distress signals, informing Valentia and all ships that we were abandoning the Tenby Castle, which was sinking fast. We asked that any of the trawlers which should receive our message might proceed to our approximate position.

LIFEBOAT ADRIFT.

"Owing to the heavy swell and the fact that visibility was still bad, we had great difficulty in abandoning the ship. As we were about to board the lifeboat which had been lowered by the derrick it broke loose, and for a few terrible moments it looked as if we, too, were doomed to go down with the ship. The lifeboat drifted rapidly astern, when Fireman Clydesdale jumped clear of the Tenby Castle, swam towards the boat and held on to it, notwithstanding the fact that one of these accidents that occur at such times nearly deprived him of his life and the remainder of the crew of their last hope of rescue.

"We threw him a rope that he might attach it to the lifeboat instead of the broken painter. The rope became entangled in his neck and almost choked him, but he held stoutly to the lifeboat and brought it alongside again. Ultimately the entire crew was got safely aboard.

"Our courageous captain," said the wireless operator, "was the last to leave, and his skill, cheerfulness and optimism in the ensuing three hours probably saved us all. We rowed towards land, pulling against a heavy sea, a strong tide and a head wind. At times mountainous waves broke over our little boat and we were almost smashed, but as dawn broke we sighted land about two miles to the eastward. Hope was renewed amongst the weather-worn men, who had been compelled to leave their ship with nothing except the clothes that they stood up in.

THE LAST OF THE TENBY CASTLE.

"We had not got more than a mile from the Tenby Castle when, at about 8.30, she lurched to one side and settled down. She made her final plunge in thirty fathoms of water in a cloud of steam and fire as the boilers burst. After two hours' further rowing we sought a creek whereon we might land, but the rocks rose sheer above us, and we could not spy any sign of life. At about nine o'clock, to our great relief, a small, swift curragh, a light surf boat made of lath and tarred canvas, shot out from the island. It was rowed by two islanders, and it guided us safely into the little harbour.

"The islanders are poor, but out of their poverty they showed us hospitality that we shall never forget. They distributed us throughout the various houses, gave us clean beds of straw to lie upon on the floors, and gave us warm food. For the three succeeding days, owing to the heavy seas, we could not make the mainland, nor did any means of communication exist. On Wednesday afternoon, with the assistance of the man who carries the mails, we succeeded in reaching the mainland near Killary Harbour, and walked from there, a distance of five miles, to Renvoyle, where the Civic Guards kindly took us in hand, and drove us by motor to Clifden."

ARRIVAL IN GALWAY.

The crew are loud in their praise of the hospitality given to them in the little capital of Connemara, where they were received by Father Carney, C.C., and a number of the inhabitants, and entertained in the Railway Hotel. To Father Carney, especially, they expressed their warm gratitude. They were provided with food and clothing, and, clad in their new overcoats, they arrived in Galway to-day, where they were received by Superintendent McQuillan, on behalf of the Coast Life-Saving Service; Mr. R. A. Tennant, Lloyd's Agent, and Mr. T. Tierney, Harbour Master. Crowds gave them a welcome as they arrived in Galway, and, having been taken to the Railway Hotel for some light refreshments, nine members of the crew left for Swansea by the afternoon mail, in charge of Mr. Stanley Brown, mate, and Mr. J. J. Pine, the boatswain. Captain Wellburn, Mr. Leahy, chief engineer, and Mr. J. McGuire, wireless operator, are remaining in the Royal Hotel, Galway, overnight.

The captain and chief engineer (C. Leahy, of Bristol) this evening made the customary deposition as to the wreck before an official of the Free State Customs and Excise. These will proceed to their homes in the morning.

The only thing saved from the wreck is the logbook, which was taken by the captain as he was leaving the sinking trawler. The captain asserted that in over a score of years' experience at sea he had never been through such a gale, and never before had he had the ill-fortune to lose a ship.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

Occasional Licence Granted.—Patrick Hedigan, Brian Boru House, Glasnevin, was granted an occasional licence in the Dublin District Court yesterday for the bar and luncheon room, on the occasion of the Bull Show at Ballsbridge on 2nd and 3rd March next.

Solicitors' Dance.—The Hilary Hilarity Dance, organised by the Solicitors' Debating Society, will take place in Clery's Ballroom, Dublin, on Monday next, February 22, when a large attendance is expected.

Unprotected Quayside.—The recommendation of a Coroner's jury that the protecting chains be extended from Butt Bridge along the quay side came before yesterday's meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board. The Secretary said that the matter was already in the hands of the harbour master, whose report would be before the next meeting.

St. Thomas's Parish.—A sale of work in aid of foreign missions will be held in St. Thomas's Parochial Hall, Marlborough street, Dublin, to-day and to-morrow, from 3 to 10 p.m. It will be opened to-day at 3 p.m. by Mrs. Picton Bradshaw, Mount Temple, Clontarf, and by Mrs. Bland, St. James's Vicarage, Crinken, Bray, to-morrow.

Hospital Patients Entertained.—An enjoyable concert was given on last Wednesday to the patients of the British Ministry of Pensions Hospital, Leopardstown Park. Fruit, cigarettes, books and magazines were kindly provided by a lady friend. The Medical Superintendent (Dr. McCreery) conveyed the thanks of the patients and staff to the party and to Mr. Poynton, Ballsbridge.

Alleged Forgery.—Ethel Boyers (19½), South Dock street, Dublin, described as a despatch clerk, was remanded at the Dublin District Court yesterday, on a charge of having, as alleged, on February 7 last, forged a cheque value £10, drawn on the Royal Bank of Ireland, whereby she obtained from Edward C. Kelly, South Lotts road, £8 13s. 6d. cash and good: to the value of £1 6s. 8d.

Road Mender Injured by Motor.—At Lucan District Court yesterday Gerald O'Connor, Sligo, was charged with having driven a motor car in a negligent manner on January 25 last at Palmerstown. George Telford deposed that he was mending the road at Palmerstown, and was on the left hand side of the road. A motor car came along and struck him, and two men got out of it and brought him to hospital. Gerald O'Connor stated that he saw a cart on the road and he had to pull round to the right hand side to pass it. A man came round from the back of the cart and walked out in front of him and was knocked down by the motor. Witness gave him £1 and paid his cab fare home. He subsequently offered him £10, which he refused, saying that he wanted £50. Thomas Burns, the well-known jockey, who was in the car, said that when they struck the man they were travelling at about 10 miles an hour. If they had skidded 45 yards, as had been stated, they would want to be going at 100 miles an hour. The Justice adjourned the case.

Mr. Valentine Vousden delivered a lecture on "Sermons in Verse" at the National Club, 39 Upper Sackville street, Dublin. A musical programme followed.

Passengers by B. and I. Line, via Liverpool.

ARRIVALS.—S. Bromley, W. Williams, T. Seddon, C. Edwards, J. Rose, G. Barton, J. Ward, T. O'Neill, T. Wright, R. Hudson, J. Kinnear, T. Hartnan.

DEPARTURES.—T. Forbes, J. Williams, A. L. White, J. Champ, T. Williamson, Maj. J. Poe, R. Hennessy, H. R. West, G. Pherson, J. Cuddy, Col. Crean, A. Forrester, F. Yeatman, H. B. Harrison, A. O'Kell, T. Camrass, J. Flynn, T. Beattie.

MUNSTER.

Appointment of Engineer Sanctioned.—A letter was received by the Listowel Urban Council from the Local Government Department sanctioning the appointment of Mr. T. McElligot, engineer, who was appointed by the Council to supervise the steam-rolling of the roads, for which they received a grant of £500.

Price of Pigs in Tipperary.—At Tipperary Fat Pig Market yesterday quotations were 80s. per cwt., live weight. There was a small supply and a brisk demand.

District Justice Transferred.—Mr. J. H. Gallagher, D.J., Ballinasloe, has been transferred to Mallow, County Cork.

Presentation.—Mr. A. F. Sharman Crawford, who had been chairman of the Cork Technical Instruction Committee for sixteen years and recently resigned, was presented by that body at the Library of the Cork School of Art yesterday with an illuminated address in Russian vellum, bound in hand-worked leather cover, enclosed in a copper casket, jewelled with enamels, and decorated with Celtic ornaments.

Illegal Fishing.—At the Killorglin (Co. Kerry) District Court sentences of two months' imprisonment with hard labour were imposed on Batt. Connor, Colleanig, and Pat Connor, Koolahane, for illegal fishing and possession of salmon caught illegally, together with fines amounting, in the case of Batt. Connor, to £12 and compensation £14, and in the case of Pat Connor £9 and £6 compensation. Mr. Justice Johnston complimented Sergeant Monahan and Guards Delaney, Mahony and Burke.

Listowel Rates Collection.—The Listowel Urban Council has passed a resolution declining to accept responsibility for the collection of the rates unless the County Council or the department responsible for the erection of a courthouse at Listowel proceeds immediately to rebuild a suitable building. The resolution, which was proposed by Mr. E. J. Gleeson and seconded by Mr. Morgan Sheehy, points out that District Courts have not been held in Listowel since September 7, 1925, and consequently the rate collectors are not able to recover the outstanding rates by legal means.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

Strabane Flax Price.—There were ten tons of flax in Strabane flax market on last Wednesday, and the price ruled from 70s. to 98s. per cwt.

Bank Official Promoted.—Mr. James Johnston, sub-agent of the Portadown Branch of the Bank of Ireland, has been promoted agent of the Bank at Belturbet.

A Popular Magistrate.—Mr. A. Hadden, J.P., Chairman of Clogher Guardians and Vice-Chairman of the Rural Council, was presented with a cheque by his friends at Ballygawley on his departure for Lisburn.

Scarcity of Nurses.—At Lurgan Guardians' meeting yesterday, the Clerk reported that he had received no applications since last meeting for the position of charge nurse in the female infirmary at a salary of £60 per year. He remarked that they were not likely to get a nurse at all.

Crushed Between Two 'Buses.—Injuries necessitating his removal to hospital were sustained yesterday morning by Ernest Keery (21), of Seymour street, Lisburn, who was crushed between two 'buses at Queen street, Belfast.

Watered Buttermilk.—The Londonderry magistrates fined Alexander Crockett, Elaghbeg, County Donegal, 40s. and £1 costs for selling buttermilk, containing 43 parts of added water, the legal maximum being 25. Mr. Scott, for the defendant, said that it was due to the extremely cold weather.

Permitting Drunkenness.—James Dorrian, publican, Old Lodge road, Belfast, summoned for permitting drunkenness on his premises on January 9 last, was fined 40s. and costs, the conviction not to be recorded on his licence.

Derry Magistrate's Bereavement.—At Londonderry Petty Sessions, Mr. Robert Roulston, J.P., who presided, on behalf of the magistrates, expressed sincere sympathy with Mr. Patrick Breslin, the senior magistrate, on the death of his wife. Mr. Humphrey Babington, on behalf of the legal profession; District Inspector Cahill, R.U.C., and Mr. McKelvey, Assistant Clerk, joined in the expressions of condolence.

Gold Coast Appointment.—Mr. William Charles L. Orr, B.Sc., M.R.C.V.S., son of Mr. John L. Orr, M.R.C.V.S., Strabane, has been appointed a veterinary officer in the Gold Coast Colony. Mr. Orr, who is an ex-Service man, formerly played Rugby for Edinburgh University.

WELFARE OF ALL IRELAND.

TWO GOVERNMENTS WITH A SINGLE AIM.

SPEECH BY SIR JAMES CRAIG.

Sir James Craig, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, addressing the Conference of Municipal Authorities' Association at Bangor, County Down, yesterday, said that for the future North and South had got to live together as neighbours.

The prosperity of Northern Ireland did undoubtedly affect the prosperity of Southern Ireland, and a peaceful and prosperous Southern Ireland reflected on the North. A man was short-sighted, indeed, and no patriot to his country, who would see one portion standing out prosperous, rich, happy and contented if on the other side he was to see despondency, poverty and a going down hill instead of going up.

So it was for the Government of the Free State and the Government of Northern Ireland to turn their minds from those matters which might have divided them in the past, and to concentrate on those matters which really affected the welfare of the people in their own areas, with a view that the whole of Ireland, and not one part of it alone, might be prosperous.

Mr. R. Fegan, Chairman of the Bangor Urban Council, who welcomed the delegates, said that a conference such as that was useful in allowing them to meet together and exchange opinions. In regard to roads, they were up against a revolution which there had been nothing like since railways replaced stage coaches. The present roads were not suitable for the traffic they were being called upon to carry, and engineers were being asked to solve a problem which seemed well nigh insoluble.

Private builders had done well in Bangor under the Government subsidy, but there was a demand for a larger type of house, and it would be interesting to know if that demand were general. If it were, the conference might think it advisable to wait on the Minister of Home Affairs and endeavour to get him to alter his mind and extend the subsidy to a house of, say, four bedrooms. He believed it would pay private enterprise to build more houses of a better type.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. W. J. M'Millan, in his presidential address, said that almost every city and town in the province had become a member of the Association, and before another annual meeting he believed there would not be a single exception. Consolidation of the Public Health Act was a matter which, he was sure, on representations from the Association, the Government would undertake at an early date. They all knew the problems that had been brought about by the advent of the motor car and consequent evolution in road traffic, and the questions of road surfacing and traffic control.

On those questions their Association could do useful work, and now that old time political feuds, happily, seemed to be rapidly disappearing, they could rely on it that the Government would turn its attention to domestic matters. (Applause.) It was a Government of Ulstermen, with business instincts and training, and he had no doubt their desire would be to show what they could do in making the Province a model one, where efficiency and economy were reasonably combined to produce the most satisfactory results.

Concurrently with this they hoped that the era of bad trade and depression consequent on the war had reached its end, and that when the association met at the end of another year the sun of prosperity and progress would have risen well above the horizon.

RE-ARRESTED IN COURT.

DERRY LAW CLERK WHO WAS FOUND TO BE DISGUISED.

At Strabane yesterday, before Mr. James White, J.P., informations were refused in the case of Brendan C. Dawson, law clerk, Londonderry, who was charged with stealing £75, the property of a person or persons unknown. The accused man was arrested three weeks ago outside the Northern Bank, Strabane, and when taken to the barracks was found to be wearing a false moustache and whiskers. He had in his possession a large quantity of jewellery and a motor car.

After the magistrate had announced his decision, the accused man was arrested by Detective Dykes, Londonderry, who was in the Court.

Subsequently, at Londonderry, the prisoner was remanded on a charge of stealing a deposit receipt for £250 from John Tracey, solicitor, Londonderry, by whom he was employed as law clerk.

District Inspector Cahill said that there would be a charge of forging Mr. Tracey's name to the receipt.

CHILD RUN OVER.

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT AT BALLSBRIDGE.

Pauleen Cunningham, aged eight years, of 10 Ballsbridge avenue, Dublin, was knocked down and killed by a motor car at Ballsbridge last night. The body was taken to the Royal City of Dublin Hospital.

The accident occurred at the corner of Anglesea road. The child was crossing the roadway when she was struck by the right mudguard of the motor car and knocked down, the two right wheels passing over her body.

RAILWAY CHEAT.

MAN'S FOUR TRIPS WITHOUT TICKETS.

Remarking that there must be a kink in the man's brain, District Justice O'Donoghue, at Portarlington on Wednesday, imposed a fine of £1 and 10s. costs on each of four summonses against Owen Maguire, Turlagher, who was convicted of having travelled on the railway from Kildare to Kingsbridge, Maryborough to Templemore, Thurles to Portarlington, and Kingsbridge to Maryborough without tickets, giving false names and addresses when challenged. A third of the fine will go to the railway company.

For travelling from Monasterevan to Kildare without a ticket Thomas Hutchinson, Crow lane, Portarlington, was fined 40s.

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UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE NORTH.

GRANTS FROM IMPERIAL EXCHEQUER.

£680,000 TO BE PAID THIS YEAR.

Details of the agreement by which the Imperial Exchequer will meet the deficiency in the North of Ireland Unemployment Insurance Fund were issued last night as a White Paper.

The agreement provides for the payment of a grant of £680,000 this year, and larger sums during the next four years if necessary, from the Imperial Treasury.

Under the Government of Ireland Act of 1920 Unemployment Insurance became an Irish service, provision for which falls to be made by the Parliament of Northern Ireland, and under Section 69 (F) of that Act the assets and liabilities of the Unemployment Fund of the United Kingdom, as existing on the 1st January, 1922, were apportioned on the basis of the insured populations of Great Britain and Northern Ireland respectively.

Since the severance of the systems the same conditions of contributions and benefits have been maintained in Northern Ireland as in Great Britain; but the burden of unemployment has proved to be much heavier in proportion to the insured population in Northern Ireland. The mean percentages of insured persons recorded as unemployed for the last four calendar years have been as follows:—

	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.
Great Britain	14.1	11.6	10.2	11.0
Northern Ireland	23.4	18.2	16.6	23.9

OUTSTANDING ADVANCES.

While in both countries the contributions have been inadequate to meet the expenditure of the respective unemployment funds, and the resulting deficiencies have been met temporarily by Exchequer loans, the assistance required by the Northern Ireland fund has, owing to the exceptional incidence of unemployment in Northern Ireland, been proportionately much larger than in Great Britain, and the advances outstanding on the 30th September, 1925, amounted to £3,614,000, as compared with a figure of £7,935,000 in the case of the British fund on the same date. On the basis of the insured populations in the two countries the proportionate figure for Northern Ireland would be approximately £183,000 only.

It has now become apparent that the continued maintenance of rates and conditions of contributions and benefits in Northern Ireland on the same level as in Great Britain could in present circumstances only be secured by the imposition on the taxpayer of Northern Ireland of heavy burdens which would be disproportionate to the financial resources placed at the disposal of the Government of Northern Ireland under the Government of Ireland Act; but, on the other hand, an improvement of trade in certain directions might reduce the burden in Northern Ireland to a lower level than that obtaining in Great Britain.

It has been represented that the degree to which the condition of the Northern Ireland Unemployment Fund is dependent upon the state of two stable industries—linen and shipbuilding—and the consequent liability to extreme fluctuations in the credits and debits of the fund, were not fully appreciated when the establishment of a separate fund for Northern Ireland and the financial arrangements embodied in the Government of Ireland Act were entered upon.

TWO OBJECTS.

The object of the agreement now proposed to be confirmed is, firstly, to provide for the maintenance of the two funds in a state of parity in respect of the period from the 30th September last to the 31st March, 1926, and the four succeeding financial years, by means, if necessary, of additional Exchequer grants; and, secondly, to spread a substantial part of the burden, so placed upon the Exchequer of the country to which the poorer fund belongs, by a method of mutual re-insurance, over the taxpayers of both Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

In order to safeguard the independent control which the Government and Parliament of each country must necessarily retain over their respective unemployment insurance systems, it is proposed that the payment from one Exchequer to the other shall be limited to three-quarters of the sum required to equalise on a population basis the payments out of the Exchequers of the respective countries into their respective unemployment funds in any year, leaving the balance to be borne by the Exchequer of the country to which the poorer fund belongs.

Under this arrangement a substantial contribution will, in present circumstances, be payable from the Exchequer of the United Kingdom to the Exchequer of Northern Ireland, but the obligation imposed by the agreement is mutual, so that in the event of a reversal of the present conditions affecting the relative incidence of unemployment in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Exchequer of Northern Ireland would become liable, subject to the terms of the agreement, to make a proportionate contribution to the Imperial Exchequer.

THE PAYMENTS.

In respect of the period from the 30th September last till the 31st March, 1926, it is estimated that the equalisation payment which may become payable from Northern Ireland Exchequer to the Northern Ireland Unemployment Fund in the current financial year, under Article I. of the agreement, will be £1,015,000, in addition to a normal Exchequer contribution for that half-year of £116,000. This payment would involve a contribution from the Imperial Exchequer to the Northern Ireland Exchequer of about £680,000.

In 1926-27 it is hoped that some improvement of the exceptionally severe unemployment which has prevailed during the past year in the main industries of Northern Ireland may occur, and on this assumption, and on the basis of the rates of contribution and benefit fixed by the legislation of last year, the contribution required from the Imperial Exchequer in 1926-27 is provisionally estimated at approximately £875,000.

It is hoped that this amount will not in any case be exceeded in the three remaining years of agreement, but the Government of Northern Ireland have given an undertaking that should the liability of the Imperial Exchequer in any year exceed £1,000,000 under the agreement, the Imperial Government shall be free without breach of agreement to re-open the question on its merits.

THE SACRIFICE OF THE MASS.

Continuing his lectures on the Eucharist at University College, Dublin, last night, the Rev. Professor John J. Hannon, S.J., dealt with the Sacrifice of the Mass. He discussed Church teaching on the Scriptures to show that the Mass was a true sacrifice in the strict sense of the word, and that it was a propitiatory sacrifice, being, nevertheless, in no wise derogatory to Calvary, because it applied the merits of Calvary to the souls of the faithful.

The lecturer said that the Anglo-Catholics nowadays held that Scripture itself required the admission of the sacrificial character of the Mass, and in proof of this he quoted from the work, "Eucharistic Sacrifice," by the Rev. Darwell Stone, D.D., Principal of Pusey House, Oxford.

THE ROSSLEA RELIEF FUND.

The Rosslea (Fermanagh) Relief Fund, which was established after the burnings and murders of special constables in 1920, has still to its credit some £800. The fund has exceeded a total of £2,000, and many benefits have been paid out to special constables; but, with the Border question settled, the immediate needs of the fund are nil, and the trustees, Sir Basil Brooke and Mr. Egbert Trimble, with the Committee, are seeking for a worthy object for the disposal of the funds. One object has been agreed upon—a county memorial to those special constables who were killed during the period of the Irish Rebellion, and this will take the form of a memorial slab erected in some county building.

FERMANAGH FARMERS' APPEAL.

A deputation of the Springfield (Fermanagh) Farmers' Union recently waited upon Sir Charles Falls, M.P., with a view to his bringing before the Imperial Government the present position of the farming industry in the county and asking the Government to assist in helping the farmers to restore farming conditions to something approaching normal.

Sir Charles promised to do all that lay in his power.

U.S. MARKETS

STOCKS CLOSED STRONG.

(Reuter's Telegrams.)

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Stocks opened firm. The highest prices were made in the final hour, despite a drop in International Mercantile Marine Pref. shares of 7½ points to 37, the year's lowest price, selling of these shares being due to unofficial reports that the earnings for 1925 were two million dollars below the figures for 1924. Previously the market was subjected to frequent waves of selling, causing weakness in United States Steel Common, Pan-American, American Woollen, Baldwin Locomotive, United Fruit, American Locomotive and Mack Trucks. Devoe and Raynolds sold at 45½, the lowest level since the decline from 104 started. A late violent upturn in high-priced stocks resulted in many substantial advances in the general list, and American Can jumped 11¼ to 331¼, and General Electric 10¼ to 385¼, both new high "records." Texas Gulf Sulphur rose 5 points to 140 owing to the increase in the annual dividend from 8 to 10 p.c., and American Brake and Shoe Foundry Pref. rose 8 points, making a gain of 15 points in two days. The market closed strong. Government Bonds irregular; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,400,000 shares.

Money on call closed firm at 5 p.c. bid and 5¼ p.c. asked. Business done during the day ranged from 4¾ to 5 p.c., with the ruling rate 4¾ p.c. The last loan was made at 5 p.c. Prime mercantile paper was quoted at 4¼ p.c. Sterling exchange irregular. Silver ⅛c. lower at 66½.

	Thur.	Wed.
Call Money	5b. 5¼a	4¾b. 5a
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.81⅞	4.81⅞
Do. do. Demand Bills	4.86	4.86
Cable Transfers	4.86⅛	4.86⅛
Do. Montreal	4.88⅜	4.88⅜
Exchange Paris, cable	3.57	3.64½

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices Thur.	Business Done. Wed.
105⅛	U.S. Funded	102⅝	102⅝
134⅜	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	130½	130½
98⅜	Do. Preference	95⅛	[illegible]
93⅜	Baltimore and Ohio	90⅞	[illegible]
162	Canadian Pacific	157⅝	[illegible]
13⅜	Chic., Mil., and St. Paul	13	13
75	Chicago and N.-West	73	71½
36⅛	Erie Shares	35⅛	[illegible]
44⅛	Erie 1st Preferred	43	[illegible]
120⅜	Illinois Central	117⅜	[illegible]
136⅜	Louisville and Nashville	132⅛	132
44⅛	Missouri, Kan., and Texas	43⅜	43⅜
36⅜	Missouri Pacific New	35½	35
131⅜	N.Y. Ctl. and Hudson R.	128	127½
151⅜	Norfolk and West Com.	150⅜	[illegible]
74	Northern Pacific Com.	72	71½
53⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	52	52
88⅜	Reading Shares	86½	85⅜
42⅛	Do. Preferred	41½	41
117⅜	Southern Railway	114⅜	115
103½	Southern Pacific	101	101½
152⅜	Union Pacific	148⅜	148
79⅜	Do. Pref.	77⅜	77
140⅜	American Smelt. and Refining	137	[illegible]
50⅜	Anaconda Copper	48⅛	[illegible]
27	British-American Tobacco Ord.	26⅜	[illegible]
105⅜	New York Consolidated Gas.	103	[illegible]
391⅛	General Electric	381	[illegible]
168⅜	National Lead	164	[illegible]
133⅛	United States Steel Common	129⅜	129⅞
129⅜	Do. Pref.	126	[illegible]
46½	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	44⅞	45
129⅛	General Motors (New)	125⅜	125⅜
9⅜	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	9⅜	[illegible]
38⅜	Do. Pref. Certs.	37½	[illegible]
45⅜	Shell Ordinary	44⅜	44⅜
69	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	67½	[illegible]
18⅜	Anglo-American Oil	17⅞	17⅜
27⅜	Shell Union Oil Corp.	26⅜	26⅜
8 ½	U.S. Rubber	81⅜	[illegible]
339⅛	American Can	330⅝	319
34⅛	International Pet. of Canada	33⅜	33
—	Silver Commercia. Bars	66½	66½
	BONDS.		
93⅜	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	91⅛	90⅞
73⅜	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	71⅛	71½
96⅜	Union Pacific 4% Bonds	93⅜	[illegible]
109⅛	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bonds	106⅜	106⅜
122⅜	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	119	119
108⅛	Do. Do. 1937	115¾	116
105⅛	7 p.c. German Loan	102½	102⅜

* Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. ‖ Ex rights.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Eng. Equiv.	Stocks and Shares.	Closing Prices Thurs.	—
85⅛	Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Ltd.	83½	—
94⅛	Asbestos Corp. of Canada, Ltd.	92	—
117⅜	Do. Preferred	115	—
98⅜	Brazilian T.L. & P. Co., Ltd.	96½	—
2⅛	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.	2	—
25⅛	Do. 1st Preference Series B.	25	—
7⅛	Do. 2nd Preference	7⅜	—
35⅛	BromptonPulp &Paper Co., Ltd.	34⅜	—
111⅛	Canada Cement Co., Ltd.	109	—
123⅜	Canadian Cottons Co., Ltd.	1.1	—
19⅛	Canadian Indus. Alcohol Co.	18⅜	—
12⅜	Canada Steamships Lines, Ltd.	12	—
63⅛	Do. Preferred	62	—
244⅜	Con. Mining & Smelt. Co. of Canada, Ltd.	239	—
95⅛	Dominion Textile Co., Ltd.	93	—
93⅛	Laurentide Co., Ltd.	91⅜	—
228⅜	Montreal L. H. & P. Consd.	223	—
65½	National Breweries, Ltd.	64	—
70⅜	Price Bros. and Co., Ltd.	68½	—
182⅛	Shawinigan Water & Power Co.	178	—
110⅛	Spanish R. P'p & P'r Mills, Ltd.	108	—
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104⅛	Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd.	102	—

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT firm, 2¼c. to 2c. higher.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	190⅜	188⅜
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	195⅜	193½
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	162½	160½
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	178⅜	176½

Sales for export—15 boatloads.

RYE firm, 1½c. rise. No. 2 spot, 105¾.

Sales for export—Nil.

BARLEY steady and unaltered. American malting, 69.

MAIZE steady, ¾c. up.

	To-day.	Prev day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	83	82⅜

Sales for export—Nil.

LARD firm, 17½ points dearer. Prime Western steam, 15.30; Middle West, 15.10 to 15.20.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.50 to 8.00.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter, 1/9 to 2/3.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs., 8c. to 11c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 30c.

Cotton—Standard bales to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 45c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	18.40	18.40
Standard White in barrels	15.00	15.00
Do. Philadelphia	15.00	15.00
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Pennsylvania Crude	2.95-3.90	2.95-3.90

RUBBER quiet, but easier. First latex crepe, 51½ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets, 60¼ buyers, 61¼ sellers.

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, 5 points up to 3 points down. The closing was steady, 7 points higher to 6 points lower. Spot steady at 5 points appreciation. New Orleans spot unchanged.

Spot, middling upland at New York, 20.65.

Spot, middling upland at New Orleans, 19.86.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 11,000 bales; Gulf, 13,000; Pacific, nil; interior towns, 11,000. Exports—Great Britain, 1,000 bales; Continent, 6,000; Japan, 10,000.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

WHEAT opened firm, ⅜c. to ⅞c. higher. Bullish foreign reports, a better cash demand in the South-West and the improved flour trade caused active covering, and fresh speculative area resulted in profit-taking. The market closed steady, however, at 2¼c. to ½c. gain. Spot firmer.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	173⅞	172¼	
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	—	
Futures—Opening options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	166¼	149	142⅜
Prev. day	164¾	148	—
Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	167¾	149⅛	142⅜
Prev. day	165½	148⅜	141⅜

	To-day.	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	592	550	263,594	438,196

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE at the commencement of business was steady, ⅛c. up to unchanged. The closing was steady, ⅜c. to ⅛c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
Spot No. 2 mixed	—	73½	
Futures—Opening options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	78⅜	81⅛	82⅜
Prev. day	78⅛	82	83⅜
Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	78⅜	81⅜	82⅜
Prev. day	78⅜	81⅜	82⅜

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	1,136	591	152,097	174,[illegible]

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS steady, ⅛c. to ½c. up.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	41⅜	42⅜	42⅜
Prev. day	41⅛	42	[illegible]

RYE—Futures steady, 1c. to 1½c. higher, spot unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	95⅜	97	96⅜
Prev. day	94⅜	95⅛	95⅜

PROVISIONS opened firm, and values rose owing to the higher hog prices. Shorts showed more disposition to cover, and the rise in grain caused reactionary buying. It is rumoured that packers are working to secure an advance. The market closed firm, with lard futures 15 to 17½ points and spot 17½ points dearer. Ribs are 27½ to 37 points up. Lard—Spot, 14.55.

	Mar.	May	July
Lard—Closing options—			
To-day	14.62½	14.95	15.17½
Prev. day	14.47½	14.77½	15.00
Ribs—Closing options—	Mar.	May	July
To-day	—	15.75	15.62½
Prev. day	—	15.47½	15.40

BACON steady and unaltered. Short ribbed sides (50lbs. average)—16.00.

OATS firm, 25 to 40 points higher for light descriptions and 25 to 30 points up for heavy descriptions. Light hogs, 11.75 to 13.40; heavy hogs, 11.35 to 12.00.

	To-day.	Same day last year.
Receipts—Western Cities	92,000	132,000
" Chicago	32,000	43,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1, total 9,866,000, against 14,073,000 same period last year.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

APPEALS TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—My attention has been called to various letters which have appeared from time to time with reference to the right to appeal to the Privy Council. It used to be the practice that, when a case was pending in the Courts, no remarks should be made, by way of letter or otherwise, until the issue was finally disposed of. However, as this does not seem to be the practice now, I would esteem it a favour if you would allow me to try to place matters once and for all upon a clear basis.

As far as the legal position is concerned and the rights of citizens of the Free State, they all depend on the Treaty and the Constitution of the Free State, in so far as it does not in any way infringe the terms of the Treaty.

The Treaty was confirmed by an Act passed in April, 1922, by the British Parliament. It was confirmed again by an Act passed by the British Parliament in December, 1922, and was finally confirmed by the Free State Parliament by an Act passed in December, 1922, and thus became a part of the Municipal Law of both Great Britain and Ireland, and consequently, as far as the legal rights of citizens of the Free State exist, they depend upon this Treaty.

By Section 2 of the Treaty it was provided as follows:—

"Subject to the provisions hereinafter set out, the position of the Irish Free State in relation to the Imperial Parliament and Government and otherwise shall be that of the Dominion of Canada, and the law practiced and constitutional usage governing the relationship of the Crown or the representative of the Crown and of the Imperial Parliament to the Dominion of Canada shall govern their relationship to the Irish Free State."

Accordingly, on the 1st April, 1922, when the Treaty was confirmed, Ireland got whatever rights Canada had; and what right had Canada? Any Canadian had a right to apply to the Privy Council for liberty to appeal from any decision given by the Supreme Court in Canada; that right had been the subject of decision, and the Privy Council had decided that they would only give leave when a case was one of gravity involving a matter of public interest or some important question of law or affecting property of considerable amount.

When the Constitution was passed in December, 1922, a proviso was added providing that nothing in this Constitution shall impair the right of any person to petition His Majesty in Council, or the right of His Majesty to grant such leave. That proviso in the Constitution was put in specially to keep open the right that had been given already by the Treaty, and, as it is provided

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(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

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75	Chicago and N.-West.	72	71⅞
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45½	Erie 1st Preferred	43	43
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44⅛	Missouri, Kan., and Texas	42⅝	42⅝
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85⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	82	82
88⅛	Reading Shares	86⅛	86⅛
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103⅛	Southern Pacific	101	101
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122⅛	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	119	119
108⅛	Do Do 1937	104⅝	104⅝
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MAIZE steady, ½c. up.

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Sales for export—Nil.

LARD firm, 17½ points dearer. Prime Western steam, 15.30; Middle West, 15.10 to 15.20.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.50 to 8.00.

FREIGHTS.

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Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs., 9c. to 11c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 30c.

Cotton—Standard bales to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 45c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	18.40	18.40
Standard White in barrels	15.00	15.00
Do. Philadelphia	15.00	15.00
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Pennsylvania Crude	2.95-3.90	2.95-3.90

RUBBER quiet, but easier. First latex crepe, 51½ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets, 50¾ buyers, 61½ sellers.

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	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	173¾	172¼
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	—
Futures—Opening options	May 166¾	July 149	Sept. 147¾
To-day	166¾	148	—
Prev. day	164¾	148	Sept.
Futures—Closing options	May 167½	July 149½	Sept. 148¾
To-day	165⅝	148¾	147⅝
Prev. day	—	—	—

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.
Receipts (W.)	592	283,594	436,156

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE at the commencement of business was steady, ½c. up to unchanged. The closing was steady, ½c. to ¾c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Spot No. 2 mixed	—	73¾

Futures—Opening options	May	July	Sept.
To-day	78⅛	81⅝	82⅜
Prev. day	78⅛	82	82⅜
Futures—Closing options	May.	July.	Sept.
To-day	78½	81⅞	82⅜
Prev. day	78⅝	81¾	82⅜

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.
Receipts (W.)	1,136	591	152,097

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS steady, ½c. to ¾c. up.

	May.	July.	Sept.
Futures—Closing options	41¾	42¾	42¾
To-day	41¾	42	41¾
Prev. day	41¾	42	41¾

RYE—Futures steady, 1c. to 1¼c. higher, spot unquoted.

	May	July	Sept.
Futures—Closing options	95¾	97	96¾
To-day	94¼	95½	—
Prev. day	—	—	—

PROVISIONS opened firm, and values rose owing to the higher hog prices. Shorts showed a disposition to cover, and the rise in grain caused reactionary buying. It is rumoured that coupers are working to secure an advance. The market closed firm, with lard futures 35 to 175 points and spot 17½ points dearer. Ribs are 22½ to 30 points up. Lard—Spot, 14.55.

	Mar.	May	July
Lard—Closing options	14.92½	14.65	14.60
To-day	14.47½	14.71½	14.67½
Prev. day	—	—	—
Ribs—Closing options	Mar.	May	July
To-day	—	15.75	15.65
Prev. day	—	15.47½	15.37½

Short

BACON steady and unaltered. Cumberland sides (60lbs. average)—16.00.

OATS firm, 25 to 40 points higher for May delivery and 25 to 50 points up for heavy deliveries. Light hogs, 11.75 to 13.40; heavy, 11.35 to 12.00.

	To-day	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities	92,000	102,000
Chicago	22,000	19,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st, total 9,866,000, against 14,078,000 same date last year.

TENBY CASTLE CREW: WATERLOO CUP: FORD MOTOR PARADE.

Mr. Harrop's Harting, Mr. Dyke Dennis's Dig Deep, and a stable puppy being photographed by a Film Camera Man at the Waterloo Cup Meeting.

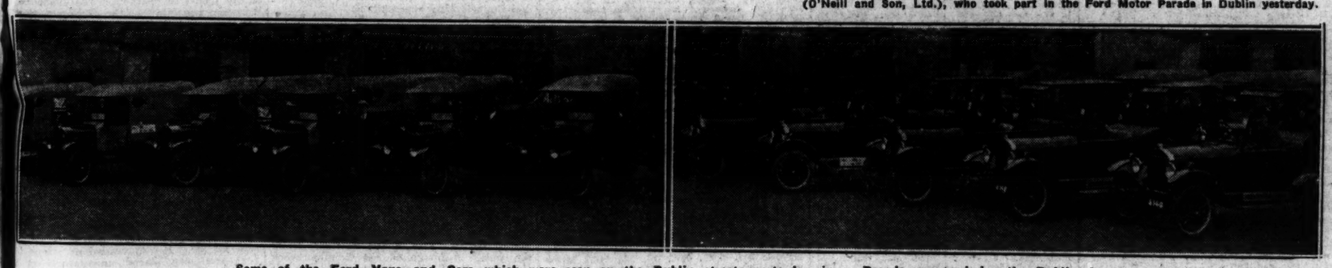
Members of the Crew of the Tenby Castle, photographed on their arrival in Dublin last night.

Interested Spectators at the Waterloo Cup Meeting: Mrs. Kerr, the Duke of Leeds, Lord Tweedmouth, and Mr. C. W. Gooch.

Sir William and Lady Burbidge and their daughters at the Liverpool Coursing Meeting.

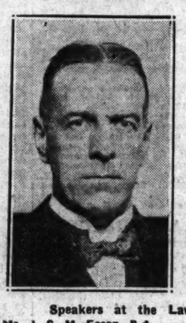
Mr. J. Mugliston, Hon. Secretary, and the Earl of Sefton, President of the National Coursing Club, at the Waterloo Cup Meeting.

Mr. L. Lomass (Smithfield Motor Co., Ltd.), Mr. J. Cassidy (H. Ford and Son), Mr. G. P. Eley (Autocars, Ireland, Ltd.), Mr. A. Hardcastle (H. Ford and Son), Mr. C. Maguire (O'Neill and Son, Ltd.), who took part in the Ford Motor Parade in Dublin yesterday.



Some of the Ford Vans and Cars which were seen on the Dublin streets yesterday in a Parade arranged by the Dublin Agents.

Mr. T. Johnson, T.D.



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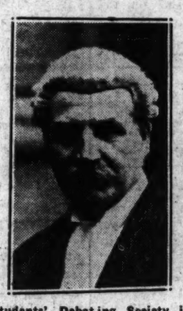

Mr. Albert Wood, K.C.

Mr. S. F. Stapleton, Auditor.

Mr. James Geoghegan, S.C.

Speakers at the Law Students' Debating Society in Dublin last night.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

APPEALS TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—My attention has been called to various letters which have appeared from time to time with reference to the right to appeal to the Privy Council. It used to be the practice that, when a case was pending in the Courts, no remarks should be made, by way of letter or otherwise, until the issue was finally disposed of. However, as this does not seem to be the practice now, I would deem it a favour if you would allow me to try to place matters once and for all upon a right basis.

As far as the legal position is concerned the rights of citizens of the Free State, they depend on the Treaty and the Constitution of the Free State, in so far as it does not in any way infringe the terms of the Treaty.

The Treaty was confirmed by an Act passed in April, 1922, by the British Parliament. It was confirmed again by an Act passed by the British Parliament in December, 1922, and was finally confirmed by the Free State Parliament by an Act passed in December, 1922, and thus became a part of the Municipal Law both Great Britain and Ireland, and consequently, as far as the legal rights of citizens of the Free State exist, they depend upon the Treaty.

By Section 2 of the Treaty it was provided as follows:—

"Subject to the provisions hereinafter set out, the position of the Irish Free State in relation to the Imperial Parliament and Government and otherwise shall be that of the Dominion of Canada, and the law practice and constitutional usage governing the relationship of the Crown or the representative of the Crown and of the Imperial Parliament to the Dominion of Canada shall govern their relationship to the Irish Free State."

Accordingly, on the 1st April, 1922, when the Treaty was confirmed, Ireland got whatever rights Canada had; and what right had Canada? Any Canadian had a right to apply to the Privy Council for liberty to appeal from any decision given by the Supreme Court in Canada; that right had been the subject of decision, and the Privy Council had decided that they would only give leave when a case was one of gravity involving a question of public interest or some important question of law or affecting property of considerable amount.

When the Constitution was passed in December, 1922, a provision was added providing that nothing in this Constitution shall affect the right of any person to petition His Majesty in Council, or the right of His Majesty to grant such leave. That provision in the Constitution was put in specially to keep open the right that had been given to us by the Treaty, and, as it is provided that the Constitution cannot be at variance with the Treaty, even if that proviso was not there, the right under the Treaty remained.

The Privy Council have decided that the case of Wigg and Cochrane is within the rules under which the Privy Council acts in cases of Canadian appeal—that is to say, they have considered that it is a matter of public importance; that it involves a matter of public interest; and an important question of law is involved. The matter is at present proceeding to the Privy Council for final hearing; and it would be more in keeping with the traditions of justice if parties would abstain from making remarks with regard to this case until the matter has been finally decided.—Yours, etc.,

W. J. Adams, Secretary.

The Institution of Professional Civil Servants (Ireland), 14 Kildare street, Dublin, February, 18th, 1926.

DEPUTIES AND ELECTORS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Permit me to call attention to a grievance affecting National University electors. We returned Professor Magennis as a supporter of President Cosgrave. Two months ago the Professor went into violent opposition, and, having sprayed the Government with corrosive eloquence for several hours at a stretch, he took himself to a conference participated in by unrepentant enemies of the State. Now he appears as leader of a new party. The aims of his following are not easily discernible behind the cloudy rhetoric of a vaguely magnificent inaugural manifesto; but it seems clear enough that the Professor's group is in opposition to the party which he was elected to support, and that it has borrowed as a watchword the least intelligent of Republican catch-cries.

For none of his recent evolutions has our representative, so far as I am aware, condescended to seek a mandate from his constituents. Do we figure at all in his scheme of things, or are we merely "the base degrees by which he did ascend"?—Yours, etc.,

Henry J. Walker.

Athlone, February 18th, 1926.

SECRECY OF THE BALLOT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—I registered my vote this morning in the South Dublin Election. I went into the booth and mentioned my number on the register. I was handed a voting paper, with a printed number on it, which paper was torn out of a book with a counterfoil like a cheque book. The number on my voting paper was also on the counterfoil. The clerk wrote my number on the register on the back of the counterfoil.

It is possible for the authorities, if they so desired, to trace my voting paper and to see how I voted. The secrecy of the ballot is, therefore, destroyed. Is this practice legal?—Yours, etc.,

James H. Webb.

Co. Dublin, February 18th, 1926.

THE FOOD PRICES COMMISSION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The Government have formed a Prices Commission. "For what purpose is this waste?" So far as the grocery trade is concerned, food is being retailed at rock-bottom prices. Take the great firm of Lipton, Ltd. (I have no interest in it). They issue a weekly price list which really sets a headline for all the country, and, mark you, Lipton, Ltd., cannot earn a dividend on their ordinary shares. Sugar is being sold at cost or under cost all over the country. All that this Commission has to do is to ask to see the last few balance sheets in any firm of representative grocers. This will be a ready index to prove "profiteering" or otherwise.

As regards clothes and other sundry things of life, the Irish people under the old, happy *regime* had bargains submitted to them daily by English firms which were delivered to them within forty-eight hours, free of all duty or the "Walsh sixpence." This charge alone has increased the cost of living to the people of Ireland, and this, of course, is a Government imposition. Yet this same Government—the irony of it—sets up a Commission to find out why the cost of living is so high.

We had a responsible Minister stating last week that they were considering the advisability of imposing a tax on American bacon—to protect the Irish farmer, forsooth! If this intolerable act is committed, it simply means another tax on the people of this sorely tried and overtaxed country.—Yours, etc.,

"Free Trader."

Waterford, February 17th, 1926.

THE LATE DR. W. E. ELLIS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—In your obituary notice of Dr. W. E. Ellis it is stated that he was a secretary of the "Graduates' Memorial." From the context it is clear that the Trinity College War Memorial Fund was meant. Dr. Ellis served this Fund as assistant both to the honorary secretaries and to the honorary treasurers, and we were, indeed, fortunate to secure his highly skilled and zealous services in locating our graduates in every corner of the globe.

We take this opportunity to express our great personal indebtedness to him and our deep regret that he has not lived to see the Memorial take concrete shape.—Yours, etc.,

George R. Webb, Honorary Treasurer;
Francis La T. Godfrey, Honorary Secretary, Trinity College War Memorial.

Trinity College, Dublin
February 18th, 1926.

PIGEONS AND WRECKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—In January or February, 1914, you published a letter from me (concerning the wreck of a ship and lifeboat on the Keegs Islands, County Wexford), in which I pointed out how pigeons could be used to bring a line ashore from a wreck. In view of what has taken place at sea during the past few months, would it not be well to have this idea well tested? It would cost very little and might be the means of saving many lives.—Yours, etc.,

"X.Y.Z."

Dublin, February 18th, 1926.

DERRY MOTOR ACCIDENT.

CASE AGAINST SENATOR'S WIFE ADJOURNED.

At Londonderry Petty Sessions yesterday there was a sequel to a serious motor accident last October, District Inspector Cahill bringing a summons against Mrs. Mary Frances Glendinning, Crawford square, wife of Senator John C. Glendinning, for driving a motor car recklessly.

Mr. H. S. Robinson (Messrs. Coldwell and Robinson), for the defendant, stated that a civil action arising out of the incident was coming on for hearing at the March Assizes, and applied for an adjournment for two months on the ground that the disclosure of his defence now would be unjust, unfair, and inequitable.

District Inspector Cahill said that, in consequence of the serious injuries which she had sustained on the occasion, Mrs. Kellett had been in the infirmary for three weeks, and had been in bed in her own house after leaving the infirmary until the end of December.

Mr. T. C. Wylie, Mrs. Kellett's solicitor, supported the application for an adjournment on the ground that his client was not in a fit state of health to undergo cross-examination.

District Inspector Cahill contended that, by a decision of the King's Bench Division in 1908, the magistrates had not the power to adjourn pending civil proceedings.

Mr. Wylie said that the ground for the adjournment was the illness of one of the principal witnesses.

The Chairman (Mr. Robert Roulston, J.P.) said that the magistrates would take the responsibility of adjourning the case for two months.

Dr. Henderson, superintendent of Glasgow Royal Asylum, declares that mental disorders are closely affiliated with crime, unemployment and Bolshevism.

CONCERT TO MR. TURNER HUGGARD.

What musical Dublin thinks of the work of Mr. Turner Huggard, the well-known organist and choir master, was expressed at a complimentary concert given last night in the Molesworth Hall. The concert was arranged by the Philharmonic Choral Society as a mark of appreciation of Mr. Huggard's voluntary labours for choral singing in Dublin.

The number of volunteers from among the leading singers and instrumentalists in Dublin was enough to carry any concert to success. An example of the spirit in which the promoters were met was Miss Rhoda Coghill's undertaking of all the accompaniments.

The hall could not hold all who wished to be present. Those who were lucky enough to gain admission heard one of the most varied and interesting concerts given in the city this season. A feature of it was the appearance of Master Arthur Franks, the boy violinist, for whom a brilliant future is predicted. The audience was moved to enthusiasm by his playing of the Wieniawski "Souvenir de Moscou." Even more admired than the brilliance of the technique were the sureness and confidence of the young player. The pleasure of the performance was increased by the delicacy of the pianoforte accompaniment by the lad's mother.

The Rathmines Instrumental Trio contributed a couple of pieces. The other artistes were—Madame Borel, Miss Olive Gilbert, and Miss Beryl Boothman; Messrs. Gill, Wallis, Geoffrey Quaile, Rowland Owen, and Lambert Patterson, singers; Miss Mabel Benchie, recitals; and W. Rafter, sifleur.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The annual meeting of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Cork, was held on the 12th inst. under the chairmanship of the Rev. G. D. Erskine, B.D. Sympathetic reference was made to the absence of the Senior Minister, the Very Rev. J. Howard Murphy, M.A., D.D., and to the bereavement he had sustained by the tragically sudden death of Mrs. Murphy. A telegram of greeting and remembrance was sent to him from the meeting. The Moderator of the General Assembly was present, and spoke in complimentary terms of Southern Presbyterianism and of the various activities of the congregation. The reports submitted showed a very healthy and vigorous congregational life. During the year there was an increase of twelve members. The treasurer reported a balance in hand of £119, and stated that the total amount raised during the year worked out at about £1,504.

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IRISH-MADE MOTOR CARS.

A FORD PARADE.

Organised by the local agents, a parade of the Ford motor cars took place in Dublin yesterday. It included some thirty cars, representing every type manufactured by Messrs. Henry Ford and Son, Ltd., Cork. As these cars passed through the principal streets of the city and suburbs they attracted considerable attention. The Lincoln eight-cylinder—the Rolls Royce of America—the Ford open and closed cars, commercial trucks, vans, and tractors, were included in the long line of motor vehicles which, at ordinary driving pace, took nearly five minutes to pass a given point.

The improved design of this year's passenger cars was very obvious to onlookers. Painted in various colours, the cars looked very attractive. The price of every car was displayed upon its bonnet.

This was the first publicity scheme organised by the firm; a second one is to take place from February 22nd to February 27th, when a Ford National Show Week will be held throughout Ireland.

NEW LONDON PLAY.

"WILDFLOWER" AT THE SHAFTESBURY THEATRE.

LONDON, Thursday.

The book of "Wildflower," the latest American musical comedy to be produced in London, is by Otto Harbach and Oscar Hammerstein, the music and lyrics are by Messrs. Hubert Stothart and Vincent Youmans, and the production is by Mr. Fred J. Blackman. The last-mentioned has done the best work, although it must be admitted that the music is gay and lilting, without being in any way distinctive.

The plot is the usual slight affair dealing with the efforts of a young Italian girl to keep her temper for six months, an eccentric grandfather having bequeathed her a fortune on the sole condition that she lives for six months at his villa on Lake Como without losing her temper. As she is a fiery young person, surrounded by relatives who do their best to make her angry, she is hard put to it to keep control. Needless to say, she just manages to keep her temper in check for the required period.

It does not much matter if the book of a musical comedy is feeble, provided there is plenty of humour, but this is just what "Wildflower" lacks. Mr. Mark Daly, who can be as funny as any comedian we have, never gets a chance—his material is wretched. Mr. Thomas Weguelin also has no opportunity of proving how humorous he can be, neither has clever Miss Julie Hartley Milburn.

There are, however, some charming songs and duets admirably sung by Miss Kitty Reidy—an Australian discovery—and Mr. Worster. Miss Reidy has a sweet, clear voice and considerable histrionic ability. Mr. Howett Worster, who possesses a pleasant baritone voice, which he uses effectively, was a likeable hero. A couple of delightful dances were given by Mr. Westley Pierce and Miss Hazel Harris.

To sum up, "Wildflower" is no better and no worse than dozens of other musical comedies that have enjoyed long runs in London.

SHAMROCK BY POST.

Notification has been received that all growing or living plants are prohibited from transmission by post to the United States of America. Shamrock will not be admitted into the United States unless the roots have been removed, or the soil has been completely washed from the roots. All postal packets containing shamrock will be examined, and plants capable of propagation will be refused entry.

DEBUSSY AND HIS PRECURSORS.

MISS GRACE O'BRIEN'S LECTURE RECITAL.

The third and final lecture recital by Miss Grace O'Brien, Diplomée of Munich Conservatoire, was given last night in the Engineers' Hall, Dublin.

In her earlier lectures, Miss O'Brien spoke on Beethoven and Chopin. Last night she took for her subject: "Debussy, the Impressionist, and his Precursors in the French World of Music." It seemed a far cry from Couperin, the 18th Century Clavecinist, in powdered wig and silk stockings, playing his dainty music in the courtly atmosphere of Versailles, to the 20th Century Debussy—the ultra modern impressionist; and yet the new French school, of which Debussy was the greatest representative, claimed artistic descent from the Clavecinists, Couperin and Rameau. They set aside the composers of the intervening century and a half as being un-French, because their works showed the influence of Italian and German masters.

For over a century since the death of Rameau the music produced in France bore definite marks of Italian and German influence, but towards the end of the last century a group of French composers broke away deliberately from the traditional mode of expression. Following the path already taken by literature and painting, they looked to French national tradition—to the old Clavecinists, who had truly given expression to the French mentality of their day. This led to a revival of the works of these old masters.

Miss O'Brien briefly described the mechanism and use of the clavecin, or harpsichord. One of the favourite types of composition was the Suite—a mere series of dance tunes. Couperin's short pieces were usually rondeaux, which imitated songs. Brahms hailed Couperin as the teacher of Scarlatti, Handel and Bach. Miss O'Brien played two pieces by Couperin: "The Bavolet Flottant" and the "Reveille Matin," in which she demonstrated very clearly the contrapuntal character of the compositions.

Jean Phillipe Rameau, who lived from 1683 to 1764, was considered a great revolutionary—the Wagner of his day; but in spite of sarcasm and every kind of opposition, his operas triumphed in the end over the Italian operas—Rameau was the pioneer of harmony. He fixed the modern system of major and minor scales, and was responsible for the manner of tuning pianos and organs in use to-day.

Miss O'Brien played Rameau's "Musette en Rondeau" and "Le Rappel des Oiseaux."

Claude Debussy, the lecturer went on, was born at St. Germain, near Paris, in 1862, and from an early age his talents destined him for the musical world. He became a pupil of the Conservatoire at the age of 12. On a visit to Moscow, when he was 20 years of age, he was attracted by the freedom and strange harmonies of Russian folk music. When Debussy returned to Paris, after his stay in Rome, in 1888, the Romanticists were battling with the Symbolists and Impressionists, and the young musician was drawn into the new movement. Already his compositions, "Printemps," and a symphonic suite, "Blessed Damozel," had been censured as "unduly modern" by a committee, among whom were Gounod, Massenet and Saint-Saëns. His next works were songs—settings of poems by writers of the new school, in which he rendered admirably their atmosphere of mingled realism and mystery. Debussy had revolutionised musical expression, and gradually the public came to understand and appreciate his work, till to-day, he was recognised as one of the most remarkable figures in music.

Miss O'Brien played a number of Preludes —the finest of Debussy's works, including: "Danseuses de Delphes," "La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin," and "The Interrupted Serenade," and "What the West Wind Saw."

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FINANCIAL NOTES AND NEWS.

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN STAGNANT.

GUINNESS EX DIVIDEND.

Stock Exchange business in Dublin was again very circumscribed yesterday, and the stagnation and flatness would be still more apparent but for the general attention given at the present time to a few specialities such as Courtauld and Guinness Shares. The Funds were, on the whole, steady. War Loan 5 p.c. recovered the previous day's loss. Banks were quietly dull all day. Guinness Ord. Shares were quiet at slightly lower prices, ex the interim dividend of 24s. a share. Marconis were unaltered. Among Rails, Great Southern Ord. further rallied, while the Pre.-Ord. issues again gave way. Great Northern was firm, but idle, ex the dividend. Dublin United Tram Pref. closed on offer at 8 x.d. of 6s. a share, but were not bid for officially. Dunlop Rubbers were still held up by support from the other side. Webb Shares were marked 2s. for an odd lot, but later improved to 2s. 3d.-2s. 4½d. Courtaulds attracted quite a lot of attention, and the buying was still induced by the very satisfactory dividend statement. Coats eased, with other Textiles also dull or idle markets. Imperial Tobacco Shares held firm at ex dividend price. Yam Seng Rubber were better ex the 7 1-5d. dividend for the year, despite the dull market in the commodity.

LONDON STEADY.

RUBBERS AGAIN LOWER.

A generally steady tone prevailed in the London Stock markets yesterday, despite the fact that public business was on an extremely small scale, while members' attention was mainly directed to the arrangement of the final details of the settlement. A firm tendency was manifest in the gilt-edged section. Little of interest occurred in Foreign Government Stocks. A good tone continued evident in Home Rails, and prices were again marked to higher levels. A slightly better tendency was manifest among Argentine Rails, but final quotations were the same as before. Textiles, on the whole, were dull, but Courtaulds were a good feature, the price rising further. Rubbers commenced business on a heavy note, but, although a better tone developed later on, in sympathy with the improvement in the quotation for the raw material, final prices were again lower in the majority of instances.

BIG STEEL RAIL ORDER FOR ENGLISH FIRM.

An order has been placed with Messrs. Dorman Long and Co., Ltd., by the Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Co., Ltd., for 25,000 tons of 100lb. steel rails.

TRAMWAY TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Official returns of fifty of the principal tramway undertakings in the United Kingdom, as published by "The Tramway and Railway World," for the week ended February 6, give total receipts of £452,396, or £15,482 more than in the corresponding week of last year. The aggregate receipts for 45 weeks amounted to £17,396,870, an increase of £123,628 over the corresponding period of last year.

EAST RAND PROP.

East Rand Proprietary Mines have received the following cable, dated February 17, from Johannesburg:—"An overwind occurred at the Cason shaft on February 15, resulting in a skip seriously damaging the main winding hoist, which will be out of commission for about three weeks. The tonnage output will be adversely affected during this period to the extent of some 15,000 tons, and the working profit result thereby reduced."

CHEAP SILK FROM FLAX.

Among the many materials from which it is hoped to make a suitable cellulose for artificial silk, one of the most interesting is flax. Under this process there is very little waste: the linseed is used for medicinal purposes and cattle feeding, and the fibre is used for linen and artificial silk. Success has attended the preliminary experiments, and considerable developments of far-reaching importance are likely, as the cost of conversion is very low. Nitro-cellulose artificial silk is at present only manufactured in Great Britain by one company, viz.—Bulmer Rayon. The process is, however, one with considerable possibilities, as may be proved by the fact that an output of 6,600lb. per day is being made by a factory at Tomazow, in Poland. This concern is financed by Snia Viscosa, of Italy, and Tubize, of Belgium. The American sales rights are in the hands of the Commercial Fibre Co., who have a plant at Passaic, N.J., for converting the material ready for sale. This plant is being increased to give an output of 5,000lb. per day. In order to effect this, the capital of the company is being raised from $500,000 to $1,000,000.

WEAKNESS OF RAW RUBBER.

The Mincing Lane Rubber market yesterday was described as irregular, but quotations for all positions showed some improvement. The recent weakness of the commodity has been due partly to the absence of demand from consumers and to the revelation that the total imports of rubber into America during January were 38,697 tons, against a consumption of 32,196 tons. For December, 1925, the figures were 39,519 tons and 28,748 tons respectively. It is interesting to note, state Messrs. George White in their weekly circular, the improvement of 3,448 tons, however, in the January consumption, and it is believed that in the near future a further increase in American consumption will be recorded.

INTERNATIONAL PULP AND CHEMICAL COMPANY.

Further particulars are now available of the issue of £600,000 8 p.c. Cumulative Participating Preference Shares of £1 each of the International Pulp and Chemical Company, Limited, which are to be offered for subscription at par this week-end through the Charterhouse Investment Trust, Limited. The company is acquiring approximately 99½ p.c. of the share capital of Koholyt Aktiengesellschaft, owning five freehold factories in Germany, of which two at Königsberg are believed to constitute one of the largest organisations for the production of high-grade chemical pulp in the world. Net assets of the Koholyt Company for 1925 have been certified by Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Company at £163,963, but it is stated that, as a result of the remodelling of the company's selling organisation, savings at the rate of £120,000 per annum were effected in July, 1925, and on the basis of output already sold profits for the current year are expected to amount to more than £250,000. The Inveresk Paper Company, Limited, have subscribed in cash at par for the whole of the Ordinary Share capital of the company amounting to £400,000.

ARGENTINE GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

It is proposed to increase the capital to £5,750,000 by the creation of 50,000 new 6 per cent. Preference Shares of £10 each, and also for converting the 100,000 unissued shares of £10 each—which were created in 1910—into 6 per cent. Preference Shares. This will give the company £1,500,000 of extra capital. The increase is being made at the request of the B.A. and Pacific Railway Company, which has a working agreement with the Argentine Great Western. The Argentine Great Western owes the Pacific £2,662,000, and the new capital will be used to reduce this debt. The new capital will be unconditionally guaranteed by the Pacific. The necessary meeting, at which the proposals will be submitted, will be held next Thursday.

MOTOR TYRE PRICES.

Sir George Beharrell, managing director of the Dunlop Rubber Company, Ltd., said last night that he was quite sure that all tyre makers would be only too ready to reduce prices when the rubber market justified them in doing so. The advantage of forward contracts had always been given to the public. Rubber bought to-day would not reach the public in the form of motor tyres for ten or possibly twelve weeks. Tyres being sold to-day were in all probability made from December rubber, so that people were buying from supplies that touched 4s. 7½d. per lb., and not from rubber at to-day's slump prices.

LONDON MOVEMENTS.

A firm tone characterised dealings in the gilt-edged market yesterday, but prices were not altered to any extent. Among War Loans the Fives went the turn better to 101¼, or ⅛ above the overnight quotation.

A quiet and generally steady to firm tone ruled in the Foreign Government Stock market, and, with a couple or so exceptions, final prices were the same as before. French Fives, however, hardened and closed ¼ better to 12¾ x.d., while the Fours were repeated at 9¾. Reconstruction Loans, on the other hand, went back a trifle, German Sevens losing ½ to 103¼ and Greeks ¼ to 92¼.

RAILS FIRM.

A firm tone continued to rule in Home Rails, and some appreciable improvements were registered at the close. Southerns were an exceptionally firm spot, the Pref.-Ord. closing a point higher at 79, while the Def.-Ord. at 45½ and the "A" Shares at 43 were both 1½ to the good. The "B" Shares gained ⅛ to 8¾. Underground Ord. went ⅛ higher to 2⅜, but others and Metropolitan issues were unchanged. Great Westerns gained a point to 91½, while Midlands finished a similar amount higher at 78. North-Eastern 5 p.c. Pref.-Ord. at 61½ were ½ better, but others were unchanged.

Colonial and Foreign Rails displayed a generally steady to firm tone, while business was quiet. United Havana gained a point to 88, while Central Uruguay at 77 were ½ to the good.

RUBBERS IRREGULAR.

The heavy tone continued manifest at the commencement of business in the Rubber share market yesterday, but, although business remained small, a better tendency developed later in the day, as a result of an improvement in quotations for the raw material. Share values showed numerous changes at the end of the day, but, while a number of the issues most affected on Wednesday marked recoveries, the vast majority of alterations were again in the downward direction. The Mincing Lane Rubber Market yesterday was described as irregular, but quotations showed a marked improvement during the later part of the day, though the best values were not nearly maintained. Spot and February sold 2s. 5¾d. up to 2s. 6¼d., and then back to 2s. 5½d. per lb., while April to June, after 2s. 5d., 2s. 5½d. and 2s. 6¼d., closed at 2s. 5d. per lb. July-September fetched 2s. 4¾d., 2s. 4d. and 2s. 4¾d., and then 2s. 4d. again. October-December opened firmer at 2s. 3½d., and, after easing to 2s. 3d., firmed up again to 2s. 3½d. per lb. at the close. In the share market, Batu Tiga, which slumped to 66s. 10½d. yesterday, marked a recovery of 1s. 3d. to 68s. 1½d. Bukit Rajah regained their loss of the previous day, the closing level of 40s. 3d. being 1s. 1½d. higher on the day. Rubber Trust finished showing an improvement of 4½d. to 42s. 3d. Seafield went 1s. 3d. better to 50s. 7½d. Anglo-Sumatra, on the reverse side, dropped back to 97s. 6d., or 3s. 9d. lower, while General Ceylon shed 2s. 9d. to 52s. 3d. Java Amalgamated shed 1s. 1½d. to 46s. 10½d., and Langkat Sumatra at 42s. 6d. were 5s. down. Rubber Estates of Johore fell away to 28s., or 2s. 6d. easier, and Sapong shed 3s. 9d. to 63s. 9d. Sumatra Consols at 43s. 9d. were also 3s. 9d. lower, while Straits Rubber dropped 2s. 6d. to 25s. Tali Ayer at 35s. and United Sua Betong at 102s. 6d. were both 1s. 3d. lower. Baru again went back sharply, the closing figure of 63s. 3d. being a further 2s. 4½d. lower, while Broome Selangor and Bukit Kajang lost 3s. 3d. and 5s. 1½d. respectively. F.M.S. Planters at 75s. were 2s. 6d. easier, and Sungei Buaya Djember and Sembilan were all 1s. 3d. below their respective overnight values.

TEA SHARES FIRM.

A firm tone characterised dealings in the Tea Share market yesterday, but the volume of business put through remained on a rather small scale. Price changes, however, were fairly numerous, and, with a few small exceptions, they were in favour of holders. Several of the recognised leaders went ahead, while a number of the more speculative issues also responded to the better tendency. Amalgamated Estates gained a further ¼ to 42, while Borhella, at 24¼, were 1½ points to the good. Brahmapootra gained ½ to 36½, and Budla Beta closed ⅛ higher at 6⅞. Cons. Tea and Lands were a firmer market at an advance of 1/16 to 32 1/16, while Doolooogram, at 45s., were 1s. 10½d. to the good. Eastern Assam jumped to 75s. 4½d., or 1s. 1½d. higher, and Imperial, at 47s. 10½d., and Chargola, at 32s. 7½d., were both 10½d. to the good. Upper Assam, on the other hand, went off to 55s. 3d., or 1s. 3d. lower.

OIL SHARES BETTER.

A rather more satisfactory tendency characterised the Oil share market yesterday, although the volume of transactions still left much to be desired. No outstanding features were presented, but the price movements finally recorded favoured holders in the majority of cases. Mexican Eagles became distinctly better in the afternoon, the Ord. Shares rising 4½d. to 18s. 9d., the 8 p.c. Part. Prefs. gaining 6d. at 16s. 9d., and the 7 p.c. 1st Prefs. finishing steady at 15s. 4½d. The buying of Mexican Eagles was accompanied by a rumour to the effect that an important new well had been brought into production, but, having regard to past experience, it would appear advisable to ignore any such talk and to await any official announcement that may be made. Thanks to a cessation of the forced liquidation which has had so depressing an effect upon the shares for some days past, British Controlled became a much better market, although it is too early yet to say whether the last of the selling has been seen. Nevertheless, the Common Shares were being picked up quietly, and a steady improvement occurred, the final price of 10s. 3d. showing a gain of 6d. The Prefd. closed with an improvement of 7½d. at 12s.

INDUSTRIALS MORE CHEERFUL.

Following the smooth passage of the settlement, a more cheerful tone prevailed among Industrials yesterday. Tillings were in demand, with a rise of 1s. 6d. to 55s. 6d. The nature of the buying gave rise to the theory that the L.G.O.C. were seeking control, if not complete acquisition. In the Brewery section, Guinness were quoted ex the £12 tax-free dividend, and fell another £8 to the round £700. The Cardiff brewers, Wm. Hancock and Co., have passed a resolution to sub-divide the £10 shares into the more popular denomination of £1. This should create a freer market, as the shares do not change very often at this end. Dealers are still at a loss to understand the persistent Canadian-American demand for Brazilian Tractions. The quotation attained a new high record at 99; scrip changed hands as high as 99½, the net rise on the day being 2, with the Pref. Stock ½ higher at 102½. Shawinigans gained 2 to 181½, and Barcelona Tractions ½ to 30. There was a good turnover in Courtaulds, investment demand lifting them to 6⅞ at one time. They closed firm at 6 13/16, or ⅛ higher on the day. Snia held steady at 65s., but other art silks were dull, Grouts, on dividend fears, being a weak spot at 3 3/16, and Wardles falling 1/16 to 3 1/16. Still under the dividend influence, Bradford Dyers closed 6d. lower at 51s. 6d., although Bleachers had a steadier appearance at 75s. 3d., after 75s. Calicos lost 6d. to 32s. 6d., but were not seriously tested, although Fine Spinners came on offer, and declined by 1s. to 49s. Sewing Cottons were uncertain at 59s. 6d., after 59s.

In Foodstuffs, some support for Crosse and Blackwells First Pref. helped them forward by 6d. to 11s. 6d., with the Ord. 3d. up at 3s. 6d. Liptons rose 6d. to 15s. 6d. On dividend prospects, Lovell and Christmas gained another 1/16 to 1 11/16; Maypole Def. changed freely around 6s. 3d., and up to 134 was paid for Anton Jurgens. A fall of 1/16 to 3¼ was noted in J. Lyons, but R. E. Jones Pref. were in small request and improved to 10s. 6d. Dorman Longs closed 9d. higher at 10s. 6d. Dorman New Debs. recovered to 1½ discount. Vickers hardened the turn to 7s. 10½d., cheered by the news of a contract for a new Orient liner. Among Miscellaneous varieties the feature was the good buying of Dunlops; they finished 9d. higher at 24s. 6d., but were undecided at this level, the business being largely professional. The 5½ p.c. Debs. eased to 100, but the Sixes held at 4 prem. James Finlays rose 3d. to 74s. 9d. The overnight fall in Carreras tempted buyers to come in, and following some trading at 11¾, they recovered sharply to 12¼, a net rise of ½, the "A" Shares following suit to 12. G. Phillips had buyers up to 80s., and rallied 1/16 to 3 11/16. Bats. hardened a few pence to 108s. 6d., and Imperials enjoyed quiet support on the lower ex dividend basis of 101. Electric Supply and Equipment issues passed a quiet day. Profits were secured on Sudans, but the shares were well taken, and the loss on the day was limited to ¼ at 8⅞. Bays held steady at 4 1/16, as did the New at 15s. prem. Shipping Shares remained stagnant, the only movement being a fall of 6d. to 29s. in Furness Withys. Insurances had a firmer appearance. Alliance gained ¼ to 15¼, and Railways ⅛ to 31⅛.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	55⅞-56	4½% Conv. Ln.	96-96½
War Ln. 5½%	97-97½	5½ Treas. Bds.	102-102½
do. 4½%	96-96	Irish Lnd. 2¾%	57-59
do. 5%	101⅛-101¼	India 3½%	18-69
do. 4% (Tax Free)	101-101½	do. 3%	[illegible]
Fund's L'n	86-86½	do. 5%	101¼-102¼
Victory Bds.	93½-94¼	do. 7%	104-106
3½% Conv. Ln.	76-76½	Local Lns.	66-68
		Sudan 5½%	107-109

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Aust. Com. 4½%	100-102	Q'sland 4% '40-50	91-93
do. 6%	101-102*	do. 6% '30-'40	101-103
Brit. Col. 4½ '41	92-94	S. Africa 4% Cns.	[illegible]
Canada 4%	90-91	do. 5%	10-100
Cape 3⅞ Cons.	80-82	S.A'stri'n 4 '40-60	81-[illegible]
Ceylon 6%	106-108	do. 6½%	102-114
N.S.W. 4 '33-7	88-90	Victoria 4 '40-60	87-8
do. 5 1927-7	100-102	do. 4½% 1922-5	100-[illegible]
do. 6% 1930-40	102-4*	W. Aus 5% '35-65	101-103
N.Zeal'd 4 '29	96-98	do. 6% 1930-40	101-103
Nigeria 6%	112-114		

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer.	6½-7¼	Lloyds	65/3-65/9+0/3
Australasia	13⅞-14⅛	Midland	83/6-85*
Bank N.S.W.	42-43*	Nat. Dis. B	17/6-9
do. N.Z.	2⅞-2⅞*	Nat. Prov (£4)	12⅛-11⅛
Barclays A	7⅞-7⅞*	Royal of Can.	61-63*
Brit. Overseas	5⅛-6¼	Stand. S.A.	11⅛-11⅞ + ¼
Can. of Com.	45-47	Un. Australia	14⅝-14⅞
Char. of India	21-21⅛	Westminster	18⅞-18⅞
Hong Kong	127-1 0		

FOREIGN BONDS

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100	Argentine 1886	99	101*	
79½	Do. 4 p.c. Rescessions	78	80	
93	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	92	94	
55	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889	55	57	
90½	Do. Funding 1908	89	91	
82½	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	82	84	
97	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	97	99	
74½	Do. 4½ p.c. 1898	74	76	
65½	Do. 5 p.c. 1912	65	67	
105½	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	104	106	
81½	Egyptian Unified	81	82	
12½	French Loan	12½	13⅛*	+ ¼
10	Do. 4 p.c.	9¾	10¼	
103½	German 7 p.c.	103	[illegible]	— ½
92½	Greek Loan	91⅞	92¼	— ⅛
16	Italian Rentes	14½	16½	
89	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	88	90	
92½	Do. 6 p.c. 1924	92	93	
42½	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	40	50	
47	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	5	6½	
5½	Peruvian Corporation	[illegible]	[illegible]	
39½	Do. Pref.	39	40	
101	Do. Deb.	100	102	
20½	Portuguese 3 p.c.	30	32	
	Spanish 4 p.c.	65	70	
17½	Turkish Unified	17½	18¼	
65½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	65½	66½*	

BRITISH RAILS.

88¾	Great Western	91	92	+1
—	Do. Cons. Pref.	94	96	
75¾	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	77½	78½	+1
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	75	77	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	97	99	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	73	75	
60½	Ldn. North-East 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	61	62	+ ½
20½	Do. Def. Ord.	20½	20¾	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	69	71	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	64	66	
68½	Metropolitan	66	69	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	60	63	
47½	Do. District	47	48	
77½	Southern Pref. Ord.	78½	79½	+1
43½	Do. Def. Ord.	45	46	+1½
40½	Do. "A"	42½	43½	+1½
8	Do. "B"	8	9	+ ⅛
2½	Underground Electric	2⅜	2⅜	+ ⅛
99½	Do. Income Bonds	99	101	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	104	106	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

91½	Antofagasta	91½	93½	
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	82½	84½	
—	Bahia Blanca	80	82	
	Brazil Railway Common	½	¾	
91½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	90	92	
84	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	83	85	
81	Buenos Ayres and W.	80½	82½	
160½	Canadian Pacific	161	163	
71½	Central Argentine	70	72	
76	Central Uruguay	76	78	+ ½
27½	Cordoba Central	27½	28½	
76	Do. 1st Pref.	75½	77½	
46	Do. 2nd Pref.	45½	47½	
54	Entre Rios	53½	55½	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	82½	85½	
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb.	48	51	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	76	78	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	77	78*	
38½	Leopoldina	37½	39½	
—	Mexican Rails	5½	6⅛	
20	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	19	21	
9½	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	9	11	
180	San Paulo Ord.	179	183	
87½	United Havana	87	89	+1

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	133	135*	+1
—	Baltimore	92	94	
—	Chesapeake	121	123	+1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	13	14	
37½	Erie	37	39	+1
—	Do. 1st Pref.	44	46	+1
—	New York, Ontario	27	29	
118½	Southern Common	117	119	
—	Do. Pref.	93	95*	
—	Southern Pacific	104	106	+1
152½	Union Pacific	152	154	+1

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

17/9	Allsopp £1 Shares	½	⅞	
89½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	88	92*	
	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	82	86	
45/0	Do. Ord.	2⅞	2⅞*	
55/0	Distillers Ord.	54/0	55/0	+0/3
720	Guinness	690	710*	−8
—	Do. Pref.	116	121*	
21/6	Peter Walker Ord.	22/0	27/0	
45/6	South African Breweries	2⅛	2⅜	
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.	21/0	22/0	
260	Watney Combe Def.	253	258*	

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

27/3	Aerated Bread	1⅛	1⅜	
45/0	Bovril Def.	44/6	45/6	
3/3	Crosse and Blackwell	3/0	4/0	+0/3
15/0	Lipton	15/0	16/0	+0/6
23/9	Lovell and Christmas	1⅝	1¾	+ 1/16
3½	Lyons (J.)	3	4	− 1/16
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	23/0	24/0	
6/4	Maypole Def.	6/0	6/6	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	4	[illegible]	
2⅞	Spratt's Patent	2⅞	2⅞	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	19/0	20/0	
1⅛	Van Den Berghs	⅞	1⅛	
—	Do. Pref.	4½	5*	

IRON AND STEEL.

11/9	Armstrong (W. G.)	10/6	11/6	−0/3
8/6	Cammell Laird	8/0	9/0	
9/9	Dorman Long	10/0	11/0	+0/9
13/9	John Brown	13/0	14/0	
8/9	Do. (15/- paid)	8/0	9/0	
14/0	Pease and Partners	13/6	14/6	
49/6	South Durham Steel	2⅛	2⅜	
30/0	Siemens	30/6	31/6*	
5/9	United Steel	5/3	6/3	
8/0	Vickers Ord.	7/4½	8/4½	+0/1½

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

—	Aboukir Land	1⅛	1⅜	
35/0	Argentine Land Invest.	1⅛	1⅜	
24/0	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅜	
8/9	B N S Land	8/3	9/3	
22/0	Forestal Land	22/3	23/3	
4⅞	Hudson's Bay Ord.	4⅜	4⅝	
8/0	Pekin Syndicate	7/9	8/0	−0/3
24/0	Rio Negro Lands	1⅛	1⅜	
8⅞	Sudan Plantations	8⅛	8⅜	− ⅛

NEWSPAPERS.

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6⅞	Amal. Newspapers Def.	6⅛	6⅞
34/6	Allied News Ord.	34/3	35/3
6⅞	Daily Mirror Ord.	6⅛	6⅞
3⅞	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	3⅛	3⅞*

NITRATES

17½	Alianza	17	18
27/6	Lagunas Nitrate	25/0	27/0
6⅞	Lautaro Nitrate	6⅛	6⅞
2⅞	Liverpool Nitrate	2⅞	2⅞
3⅞	London Nitrate	3	3⅞
27/6	Rosario Nitrate	27/0	28/0
2⅞	Santiago Nitrate	2	2⅞
12/3	Tarapaca Nitrate	12/0	13/0

OILS.

3⅞	Anglo-American	3⅛	3⅞	+ ⅛
1⅞	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1⅛	1⅞	
3⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅞	
3/3	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	26/1½	26/7½	
4/1⅛	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	28/0	28/6	+0/1½
4	Do. Ord. issued 3⅛ p.c.	4⅛	4⅜	
85⅛	Do. 8 p.c. Deb.	83	84	
1⅛	Apex Trinidad	1⅛	1⅜	+ ⅛
1⅛	Attock	1⅛	1⅜	+ ⅛
1⅛	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
7/3	British Burmah (8/-)	7/3	7/9	
10/1⅛	British Controlled	10/0	10/4½	
12/4⅛	Do. Pref.	11/10½	12/1½	+0/7½
4	Burmah	4	4⅛	
30/1⅛	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	30/1½	30/7½	
1/10⅛	Caltex	1/7½	1/10½	
3/6	Eagle Transport	3/3	3/9	
101⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	101	103	
107⅛	Do. Bearer	102	103	
13/6	Kern River (10/-)	12/3	13/3	
4⅞	Lago	4⅛	4⅞	+ ⅛
6⅛	Lobitos	6⅛	6⅞	+ ⅛
18/3	Mexican Eagle	18/6	19/0	+0/4½
18/6	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	16/6	17/0	+0/6
15/4⅛	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.	15/1	15/7½	
7/3	North Caucasian (10/-)	5/6	7/6	
2/3	Oropuche (4/- sh. f.p.)	2/7½	2/10½	+0/1½
10/0	Phoenix	10/0	10/6	+0/3
34	Royal Dutch	33¾	34	+ ⅛
4⅛	Shell Transport	4⅛	4⅜	
9⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9⅛	9⅜	
25/1⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	25/0	26/0*	
1/3	Spies (10/-)	1/0	1/6	
11/3	Steaua Romana	11/0	11/6	−0/3
7/3	Tankers Pref.	7/7½	8/1½	
8/0	Trinidad Central	8/0	9/0	
	Trinidad Lease	2⅛	2⅜	
7/6	United Brit. Trinidad	6/9	7/6	
6/3	Ural Caspian	5/6	6/6	
3⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	3⅛	3⅜	—
3⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	3⅛	3⅜	—

RUBBERS.

3/6	Amal. Rubber Est.	3/3	−0/1½
75/0	Anglo-Dutch	5/9	+0/1
8/1⅛	Anglo-Java	7/8¼	
1⅛	Anglo-Malay	30/4½	+0/9
8/9	Bertam Cons.	8/3	−0/1½
6/1⅛	Bukit Mertajam	3/8⅛	
4/9	Bukit Sembawang	3/8⅛	
1⅛	Buntar	27/0	+0/7½
1⅛	Damansara	22/3	
2⅞	Grand Central	42/3	+0/6
2⅞	Highlands	33/1½	−0/4½
30/7	Jugra Land	28/10½	−0/9
8/0	Kamuning	4/8⅛	
9/9	Kepong	9/9	+0/1½
5⅛	Kuala Lumpur	96/9	
2⅛	Kuala Muda	42/10½	−0/7½
1⅛	Labu	52/6	−1/0
3⅛	Linggi	30/3	−0/9
7⅛	London Asiatic	6/01	
4⅛	Malacca	77/6	
4⅛	Malayalam	45/10½	−0/1½
40/0	Merlimau	3/8⅛	−0/0½
8/0	Mooply Valley	42/10½	
2⅛	Rubber Trust	42/3	+0/4½
44/9	Seafield (New)	50/7½	+1/3
2⅛	Sendayan	30/7½	−1/3
3⅛	Sialang	70/9	−0/1½
3⅛	Straits Rubber	25/0	−2/6
71/3	Sumatra Para	6/10'	
7/6	Tali Ayer	35/0	−1/3
40/0	Tandjong	72/6	−0/7½
3⅛	Tandjong Malim	41/9	
2⅛	United Serdang	7/1½	−0/0½
7/6	United Sua Betong	102/6	−1/3
5⅛	Vallambrosa	21/0	−0/4½
23/9			

Abaco	80/9		Lceagcer	2/10½	−0/0½
Allagar	3/9½	−0/0½	Manch'ter N.B.	42/3	
Allied Sum.	23/4½	+0/4½	Membakut	30/0	
Ampat	9/6½	−0/8½	Mendaris	36/0	+0/3
Anglo-Sum.	97/6	−3/9	N. Hummock	28/1½	
Bah Lias	49/0		New Haycep	2/3½	
Batu Tiga	68/1½	+1/3	P.P.K.(C'yl'n)	30/9	
Baru (Java)	64/3	−2/4½	Pahi Plta (1/8p)	2/9½	
Batang	2/9½	−0/1½	Pataling	31/3	
Bernam Perak	58/9		Pegoh	64/0	
B.N.B.R. Trst	17/6	−0/3	Pilmoor	56/10½	−5/3½
Broome Sel.	30/6	−3/3	Port Dickson	5/1'	−0/2½
Bukit Cloh	37½		Ratanui	45/0	
Bukit Kajang	6¼/3	−3/1½	Rim Malacca	4/10'	−0/4½
Bukit Rajah	40/3	+1/1½	Rub. E. Johore	28/0	−2/6
Castlefield	11/9	−0/1'	Sapong	63/9	−3/9
Ceylon Timber	9/3½		Sapumalk'de	37/6	
Cheviot	5/1½	−0/4½	Sedenak	32/6	
Cicely	8/7½	+0/1½	Sekong	21/7½	
Djember	59/0	−1/3	Selangor	6/10½	+0/1½
Dennistown	7/1½	−0/3	Sembilan	61/3	−1/3
Eastern Sum.	4/3½		Sepang Sel.	29/7½	
Eastern Trust	46/10½		Serdang C'nt'l	48/1'	+0/7½
F.M.S. Plant.	75/0	−2/6	Seremban	27/10	+0/6½
Gadjah	9/9	−0/3	Sing United	3/3½	
Gen. Ceylon	52/3	−2/9	Singapore Para	2/11½	−0/0½
Glenbervie	37/6		Soember Ajoe	2/6½	+0/2½
Glenshiel	22/6		Sumatra Con.	43/9	−3/9
Golden Hope	47/6		Sungei Buaya	55/0	−1/3
Golconda	49/4½	−4/4½	Sungei Choh	31/0	
Hongkong Sel.	70/0		Sungei Kapar	2/3	
Insulinde	3/9	−0/2½	Sungei Kr. Pl.	63/9	
Java Amal.	46/10½	−1/1½	Taiping	2/10½	
Kapar Para	55/0		Tamiang	45/9	+0/9
Kasintee	45/0		Tebrau	54/9	
Kepitigalla	3/6¼	−0/0½	Telogoredjo	75/0	−0/9
Kombok	5/1'	−0/7½	Tempeh	2/9	−0/1½
Kuala Sel.	7/11½	+0/0½	Timbang Delhi	2/9	−0/0½
Kwaloe	4/1½	+0/1½	Toerangie	37/6	
Langkat Sum.	42/6	−5/0	Un. Temiang	4/7½	+0/1½
Larau	6/11½	−0/3½	Waverley	3/6½	−0/0½
Ledbury	39/4½	−0/7½	Yam Seng	4/7½	−0/1½
Landu	37/10½				

SHIPPING.

15/0	Cairn Line	14/0	16/0	
10/3	Cargo Fleet	9/3	10/3	
—	Court Line	25/0	26/0	
—	Cunard Ord.	16/3	17/0	
18/3	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf	18/6	17/6	
—	Furness Withy	28/6	29/6	−0/6
—	P. and O. Def.	240	250	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	82	84	

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	42	+ ¼	DoomDooma	88/0	+0/1½
Anglo-Ceylon	49/0*		E.I.&Ceylon	74/0	−0/4½
Assam Co.	48/0		E. Assam	75/4½	+1/1½
Assam Cons.	19/3*		East Produce	103/9	−0/7½
Assam Dooars	45½		Empire	67/6	+0/6
Assam Front'r	37/0	+0/9	Galaha Ceylon	40/0	
Aso.T.R.Co'rs	67/10½	+0/4½	Imperial	47/10½	+0/10½
Borelli	9s/10½		Jhansie	59/0	+0/3
Brahmapootra	36⅛	+ ½	Jokai	30/6	
British Assam	37/0		Jorehaut	29/7½	+1/0
Brit. Indian	72/6		Lungla	40/0	
Budla Beta	6⅞	+ ⅛	Majuli	40/0	
Cachar & Do'ar	81/3		Moabund	63/0	−1/0
Ceylon Plant.	6⅜		Nedeem	68/6	+0/6
Ceylon Prop.	73/0	+0/3	New Fylbet	88/9	−0/7½
Chubwa	96/3		Peacock & Ni	4/4½	−0/1½
Chulsa	60/7½		Poonmudi	4/2½	
Con. Tea & L.	32 1/16	+ 1/16	Rosehaugh Cey	45/9	
Darjeeling Co.	43/10½	+0/3	Singlo	55/0	+0/3½
Deundi	26/3	+0/3	Tea Share Tru	80/0	
Dimbula Val.	74/4½		Travancore	101/0	+0/10½
Dooars	81/4½	+0/4½	Up. Assam	55/3	−1/3

TELEGRAPHS

23½	Anglo-American Def.	23½	24
1⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1⅛	1⅜
1⅛	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜
	Do. Debs.	101	102
18/0	Do. Marine	18/6	19/6
4/6	Do. Canada	4/4½	4/10½
	Oriental Telephone	2⅛	2⅞
9	Radio Corporation	8½	8⅞
9½	Do. Pref. (£50)	9⅛	9⅞

TEXTILES AND STORES.

7/0	Amalgamated Cotton	6/9	7/3	
77/0	Bleachers	75/0	75/6	
58/0	Bradford Dyers	51/0	52/0	−0/6
6/0	British Celanese Ord.	5/9	6/3	
32/0	Calico Printers	32/0	33/0	−0/6
62/6	Coats	62/0	6/0	
6⅞	Courtaulds	6⅝	6⅞	+ ⅛
60/0	English Sewing Cotton	59/0	60/0*	
50/0	Fine Spinners	48/6	49/6	+1/0
3	Grouts	2⅛	2⅜	− ⅛
48/0	Harrods	47/6	48/6	
23/0	Hollins (Wm.)	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	35/9	36/9	
25/0	Lister Ord.	24/3	25/3*	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	24/0	25/0	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

27/0	African and East. Trade	27/6	28/6	
19/9	Amal. Dental Pref.-Ord.	19/6	10/6	
3⅛	Anglo-Arg. Tram. 1st Pf	3⅛	3⅜	
16/6	Associated Cement	16/0	16/6	+0/3
16/9	Do. Pref.	16/6	17/0	
36/0	Borax Con. Def.	74/6	35/6*	
98⅛	Brazilian Traction	98	100	+2
35/6	British Portland Cement	34/6	35/6	
15/0	B.S.A.	14/6	15/6	
27/3	British Oil and Cake	26/9	27/9	
104	Brit. Col. Elec. Rail. Pf.	102	105	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	88	91	
108/3	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	108/3	108/9	+0/3
35/4½	Brunner Mond	34/6	35/6	−0/3
55/0	Bryant and May	54/6	55/6	
11⅛	Carreras	11⅞	12⅛	− ⅛
22/6	Dunlop Rubber	24/3	24/9	+0/9
23/0	Do. "C" Prefs.	1⅛	1⅜	
—	English Electric	20/0	21/0	
—	Finlay (James)	74/3	75/3	+0/3
31/9	General Electric Ord.	31/0	33/0	
—	Do. Debs.	105	109	
—	Gramophone Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	
103/0	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	100/6	101/6*	
15/3	Jute Indus. Pref.	14/3	15/3	
20/3	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	20/6	21/0	
—	Lever 8 p.c. Debs.	96	98	
14⅛	Mexican Trams	12	17	
—	Do. Bonds	61	64	
69⅛	Do. L. and P. Bonds	68	71	
27/	Nobel Ord.	26/6	27/6	
20/7⅛	Do. Pref.	20/6	21/6	
—	Do. Def.	12/3	13/3	
1⅞	Parent Trust Def.	1⅝	1⅞	− 1/16
1	Do. Ord.	⅞	1⅛	
30/0	Platt Bros. Ord.	29/6	30/6	
—	Prov. Cine. 7½ p.c. Pf. Ord.	13/6	14/6	
1⅞	Rolls Royce	34/3	34/9	+0/3
37/6	Salt Union	32/6	33/6	
54⅛	San Paulo Tram Deb.	97	102	
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	103	108*	
11⅛	Swedish Match "B"	11⅛	11⅜	
38/9	Schweppes Def.	38/6	39/6	
—	Taylor's Service	26/4½	27/4½	
—	Tilling Ord.	55/0	56/0	+1/6
—	Do. 5½ p.c. Cum Pref.	4	4⅛*	
—	United Alkali	1⅞	1⅞	
28/3	Wallpaper Def.	28/3	29/3	
48/9	Westminster Elec.	2⅞	2⅞	

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div. § Ex bonus.

DUBLIN PRICE CHANGES.

BANKS AND COATS EASIER. COURTAULDS ACTIVE AND GOOD. GREAT SOUTHERN RAILS ERRATIC.

Government National 5 p.c. Loan repeated 97⅞, Compensation 5 p.c. Stock 94, and Land Bonds 4½ p.c. 91¼.

In British Funds, Consols repeated 55 7/16. War Loan 5 p.c. rose 1/16 to 101¼, but Victory Bonds fell 1/16 to 93¼.

In Corporation, etc., issues, Bray Township 3½ p.c. marked 62¼, the previous price.

In Banks, Bank Stock fell ¼ to 274½, and Nationals ⅛ to 20¼-⅛, while Hibernians repeated 7⅞ x.d., and Munsters 7 x.d.

Breweries, etc., were idle. Guinness Ord. opened a further 1s. lower at 70¼ x.d. and, after dipping later to 70, closed at 70¼.

Marconi Ord. repeated 22s. 9d.

Among Home Rails, Great Southern Ord. rose 1 to 20, but the Pref. fell ½ to 35, the Guaranteed ½ to 42½, and the Debs. 1/16 to 57⅛.

In Trams, Dublin United Pref. closed on offer at 8 x.d.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. realised 23s. 7½d., 23s. 6d., 23s. 7½d., 23s. 9d., 23s. 10½d. Parent Trust Pref. remain at 13s. 10½d.

In Drapery Shares, Webb and Co. opened 6d. lower at 2s., but later 2s. 3d.-2s. 4½d. was paid. Cannocks closed sellers at 90s., the last price.

Manufacturing Shares were very idle. Coats Ord. fell 4½d. to 62s. 4½d., and Imperials were practically unaltered at 100s. 9d. x.d. and bonus of 3s. 3 3-5d. per share. Among other business done, Courtaulds were extensively dealt in at 135s. 10½d., 135s. 9d., 135s. 7½d., 136s., 136s. 3d., the latter being a fresh gain of 1s. 3d. on the day.

In Trading, etc., Chartered repeated 26s. Yam Seng Rubber quoted 6s. 4½d. x.d., a rise of about 3d. per share, *Irish Times* Pref. were wanted at 70s. 6d., or 6d. under last price.

Anglo-Persian Oil 9 p.c. 2nd Pref. realised 26s.

BUSINESS DONE:

Natl. Loan...(93¾)	93¼	G.S. Ord.........(19)	20
Compensation Stock (94)	94	Do. Pref......(35½)	*35
Land Bonds...(91¼)	91¼	Do. Guar......(42¾)	42½
Consols ......(55 7/16)	55 7/16	Do. Deb.......(57 3/16)	57⅛
5% War Ln..(101 3/16)	101¼	Parent Pref. (13/10½)	13/10½
Victory Bonds.(93 5/16)	93¼	Webb (J. H.)..(2/6)	*2/-2/3 /4½
Bray Stock.....(62¼)	62¼	Coats ....(62/9)	62/4½
Bank Stk..(274¾)	*274½c	Courtaulds ....(135/-)	135/10½ /9 /7½ 6/- 6/3
Hibernian ....(7⅞)	7⅞	Imperial Tobacco (104/4½)	100/9 x all
Mun. & Lein........(7)	7	Yam Seng.(6/9)	6/4½ x.d.
National ...(20¼)	*20¼ ⅛	Chartered..(26/-)	26/- /1½
Dublin Distillers Deb. (48)	*48	Dunlops.(23/9)	23/7½ */6 /7½ /9 /10½
Guinness..(71¼)	*70¼ 70 *70¼ x.d.	Anglo-Per. Oil 2nd Pf.	26/-
Marconi ....(22/9)	22/9		
Dub. Tram Deb..8 x.d.	a		

* Odd lot, b bid, a asked, c cash. (Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS RATE.

Discount	6 p.c.	Dec. 3, 1925.
Deposit	2½ p.c.	Dec. 3, 1925.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	March 1	March 15
Mining ticket	March 2	March 16
General ticket	March 3	March 17
Account day	March 4	March 18

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange was firm. War Loan 101 1/16, Westminster Bank 18⅞, Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. 1940 Stock 77, Dunville and Co. 10¼, Irish Distillery, Ltd., 6¼; Dunlop Rubber 23s. 7½d., Chartered 26s. 1½d.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LOANABLE CREDITS PLENTIFUL.

DISCOUNTS EASIER.

Conditions remained comfortable in Lombard street yesterday, with money over the night offering at 4¼ down to 4 p.c., while renewals for a day or a week were made at the lower figures. With the Continent still a buyer of bills rates in the discount market were again on the easy side. Fine three and four months' maturities were bid for at 4¼ down to 4 3/16 p.c., while business in six months' drafts was reported at 4 3/16 p.c., although the general quotation was 4¼ p.c. The new Treasuries were rather more wanted at 4 3/16 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed Dec. 3, 1925) 5%			
60 days (Bns)	4⅜%		
3 months	4⅜%	Trade	5 5¼%
4 months	4⅜%	"	5¼ 5¾%
6 months	4⅜%	"	5 6%
Loans to brokers day-to-day		4¼	4%
for a week			4%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call			3%
Discount houses at call			3%
at notice			3¼%

The Bank of England yesterday sold £15,000 of bar gold. The market price of gold rose 1½d. to 84s. 11½d. per fine oz. The price of silver was further depressed owing to selling by China, both the spot and forward prices declining 1/16d. to 30⅛d. per oz. for both positions. The Indian bazaars bought and sold, the market closing steady.

French francs were again offered rather freely owing to the uncertainty of the financial and political situation in the country, the rate closing 1.85f. up at 135.35, which was almost the worst of the day. Belgian francs were a little cheaper; lire were barely steady; Norwegian kroner reacted, and Holland, Turkey and Bulgaria moved slightly in our favour. There was some improvement in the currencies of Greece and Rumania. In the South American group, Argentine dollars weakened. New York was unaltered.

—	Feb. 18 Highest and Lowest		Feb. 17 Closing Rates		Par Rate
Amsterdam	12.13¼	12.13⅞	12.13½	12.13⅜	12.10
B. Ayres	46⅜	46	46⅛	46⅛	47.58
Barcelona	34.42	34.44	34.47	34.49	25.22
Berlin	20.42	20.43	20.42	20.43	20.40
Brussels	106.95	107.00	106.95	107.00	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6⅛		1/6⅛		2 0
Copenhagen	18.75	18.77	18.72	18.75	18.16
Finland	193	193¼	193	194¼	25.22½
Geneva	25.25	25.26	25.25	25.26	25.22
Greece	339	342	342	346	25.22½
Italy	120½	121	120.50	120.60	25.22½
Kobe (p.yn.)	1/10⅛		1/10⅛		24.58d.
Madrid	34.42	34.47	34.45	34.47	25.22½
Montreal	4.86⅜	4.86⅞	4.86⅜	4.86⅞	4.86
Montevideo	50⅜d.	51⅛d.	50⅜d.	51⅛d.	51d.
New York	4.86⅜	4.86½	4.86⅜	4.86⅛	4.86
Oslo	23.23	23.28	23.15	23.18	18.16
Paris	133⅞	135⅜	133.45	133.55	25.22
Prague	164	164⅛	164	164⅛	24.02
RioDeJan.	7⅛	7⅜	7⅛	7⅜	16d
Shanghai	2/0⅛		holiday		—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	18.16⅛	18.17⅛	18.15	18.17	18.15
Vienna	34.52	34.54⅛	34.52	34.57	34.5⅛
Warsaw	35⅛	sellers	35	37	25.22½

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were marked in London yesterday:—Consols—55 7/16, [illegible] 5 p.c. War Loan—101¼, [illegible]. Funding Loan—86¼, [illegible]. Conversion Loan [illegible]. Australia 5 p.c. Stock—102½, [illegible]. Aerated Bread—27/-. African and Eastern—26/4½, 6d., 3d., 1½d. Allied Newspapers Ord.—34/4½, 4½d., 3d., 4½d. Amalgamated Press—41/-, 6d. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—5/-, 3/9, 3/-, 1½d., 6d., 4/3, 3/-, 4/6. Associated Cement—16/-, 15/10½, 16/1½, 15/10½. Associated Newspapers Def. [illegible]. Bovril Def.—45/3. Brazilian Traction—98¼, 1, 7½, 8½, [illegible], 8, 2, 1, ¼, 9. British American Tobacco—108/9, 10½d., 4½d., 7½d., 8/-, 6d., 9d. British Oil and Cake—27/6, 7½d. Bryant and May—54/6, 9d., 6d. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—91½, 90½, 1½, ¼, ¼, ⅛. Calico Printers—32/9, 3d., 3/-. Canadian Pacific—160½, [illegible], 2, [illegible]. Central Argentine Cons.—70¼, [illegible], 70¼. Coats—62/1½, 2/-, 7½d., 6d., 3d., 1/9. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord. (x.d.)—18/3, 18/9, 10½d., 19/1½; do. Part Pref.—23/-. Courtaulds—6 45-64, [illegible], 51-64, [illegible], 49-64, 20 15/6, 6 53-64; do. Pref.—19/6¼, 4½d., 6d. Crosse and Blackwell—3/10½, 9d., 8½d. Cunard Ord.—16/9, 10½d. "Daily Mail" Ord. (2/-)—50/-, 49/4½. "Daily Mirror" Ord.—6 3/16, [illegible]. Dunlop Ord.—23/7½, 6d., 9d., 4½d., 8½d., 4/-, 1½d., 3d., 3/9, 4/2½; do. "C" Pref.—22/10½, 3/-. Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.—16/9. English Sewing Cotton—58/6, 9/-. General Electric Ord.—32/3, 1/10½, 2/-, 1/7½, 2/1½, 1/9, 2/3; do. Debs.—107½, 8, 7½. German 3 p.c.—9/9, 6d., 3d., 7½d., 10/-, 9/3. German 7 p.c. External Loan—103⅛, [illegible]. Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c. Debs.—49¾, 50¼, 50, ¼. Great Western Rail—90¼, [illegible], 90⅞; do. 5 p.c. Pref.—95¼, 4¼, [illegible], 5¼, 4¼. Greek 7 p.c. Refugee—92¼, [illegible]. Grout Ord.—55/7½, 4/4½. Guinness Ord. (x.d.)—*715, *8, *12, *15. Harland and Wolff Pref.—14/6, 7½d., 9d., 4½d. Harrod's Ord.—47/6, 9d., 8/3, 1½d. Hudson's Bay Ord.—89/4½. Hungarian 7½ p.c. 1924—98, 7¾, [illegible], 8, 7¼. Imperial Tobacco (x. d. and b.)—100/6, 10½d., 3d., 9d., 7½d., 4½d., 1/-, 100/9½, *4/-, 100/11½, 1/1½; do. Canada—26/-, 5/10½, 7½d., 6d. Jute Industries [illegible]. Lever 7 p.c. Pref—20/6, 9d., 7½d., *4½d., 4½d., 9d., *6d., 8¼d., 5¼d., 6¼d., 6d. Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—*19/6, 20/1½, 0¾d., 19/10½, 20/3, 20/-, 19/9, 19/11½, 20/½. Lipton Ord.—15/1½, *15/-, 3d., 7½d. Lister Ord.—24/6, 9d., 5/-. London Midland and Scottish Ord.—77⅛, [illegible]. London and N.E. Pref.-Ord.—61⅛, [illegible]. London and N.E. Def.Ord.—20⅛, [illegible]. Lovell and Christmas Ord.—34/-, 4½d., 6d. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—*77/6. Marconi Ord.—24/4½, *3/6, 2/9, 3/4½, 3/-; do. Debs.—101½; do. Marine—18/1½, 7½d., 6d., 7½d.; do. Canada—4/6¼, 6d., 8½d., 7½d. Maypole Def.—6/2½, 0½d., 6/-, 3d., 1½d. Metropolitan Rail—68¼, [illegible]. Metropolitan District—17¼. Nobel India—27/3, 7/-, 1½d.; do. Pref.—20/6; do. Deferred—12/6. Peruvian Corporation Pref.—39¼, [illegible], 40⅛, 39¼. Phillips (Godfrey) Ord.—79/-, 80/-. P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.—97, 7, 6¾, 6½. Radio Corporation Pref.—9¾. Rubber Trust—41/7½, 9d., 2/6, 3d., 1½d., 2/-, 4½d., 1/10½, 2/9, 10½d., 3/-, 2/9. Selfridge Ord.—30/-, *29/4½, 6d.; do. Pref.—25/-, 4/10½, *4/6. Southern Rail Pref.-Ord.—78⅛, 9, *8⅛, [illegible], *6⅛; do. Def.-Ord.—45, 4⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, [illegible], 5⅛, 4⅛, 4⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, 5½. Sudan Plantations—[illegible], 8¾, [illegible], 9, [illegible], 8 1/64, [illegible]. Swedish Match "B"—11⅛, [illegible], £11 17/3, 11⅛, [illegible]. Underground Income Bonds—100, 99¾, 100¼, 99¾, 100¼, 99¾. Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.—19/4½, 7½d., 5½d., 9d., 6¾d., 6d. United Dairies—37/4½, 6/9, 7/-, 6d., 3d., 7/-. United of Havana Rail—88⅛, 7½d., ¼, 8¼, 7⅛. United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.—10/6, 3d. United Tobacco—81/3, 3 9, 3d. Vickers—7/9, 8/-, 7/11½, 9¾d., 10½d. Watney Combe Def.—255½. White, Tomkins Ord. 18 11/16, ¼.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

SMYTH AND CO.—5 per cent. (1/- per share) on Ordinary Shares for year ended 31st December, 1925; £3,222 forward.

WILLIAMS (H.) AND CO.—12 per cent. per annum and a bonus of 3/- per share (together, 2 2-5d per share); £15,316 forward.

ALHAMBRA CO.—Dividend for second half of the year at rate of 20 per cent. per annum, less tax.

BUFFALO AND LAKE HURON RAILWAY.—Dividend of 5/- per share, less tax.

BRISTOL AND SOUTH WALES RAILWAY WAGGON.—Further dividend at rate of 10 per cent. per annum, making 10 per cent. for year, less tax.

BRITISH, FOREIGN AND COLONIAL CORPORATION.—Dividend of 9d. per share, less tax, for the eighteen months ending December 31, 1925.

BRUCE PEEBLES.—Dividends for year ended December:—On Preference Shares at rate of 7½ per cent. per annum for half-year ended December, and further dividend of 2½ per cent. per annum for year; on Ordinary Shares for year, 10 per cent. per annum, together with bonus of 5 per cent., all less tax.

FISHER AND LUDLOW (1920).—Further dividend of 5 per cent. actual, less tax, on Ordinary.

NORTH BROKEN HILL.—Dividend of 2/- and bonus of 3/—total, 5/- per share, less tax.

NATIONAL MINING CORPORATION.—Dividend of 1/- per share, less tax.

ROWNTREE AND CO.—Profits of Rowntree and Co., cocoa manufacturers, for past year was £172,697, and £71,218 was brought forward. Dividend of 7½ per cent. on Ordinary Shares, £25,841 to contingencies reserve (making that fund £100,000), and £81,152 carried forward. Contingencies reserve is to be added to general reserve, making a total of £200,000. Company has acquired interest in Wilson and Co., of East London, which would give it a good distributing centre in South Africa. It has also secured control of James Epps and Co., on what directors considered advantageous terms.

THOMAS WALLIS AND CO.—Final dividend on Ordinary Shares for the half-year to 31st January, 1926, at rate of 12 per cent per annum, making 10 per cent. for the year.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM — Motors quiet and dull. Triumphs very flat. Rovers drooping. Rolls Royce firm. Swifts look better. Late rally in Dunlops. Austins, 7/-; do. Deb., 5¼ dis.; Binemels, 39/6; Components, 6/6; Dennis, 70/-; S.T.D., 3/10½; Enfields, 32/-; Humbers, 41/-; Lucas, 78/-; Napiers, 37/6; Rolls Royce, 34/-; Rovers, 11/3; Singers, 42/9; Standards, 39/-; Swifts, 5/3; Triumphs, 32/-; Dunlops, 24/4½; Parent Def., 34/6.

MANCHESTER—Textiles still a dull market. Bleachers and Bradford Dyers lower. Bleachers, 74/6-75/6; Calicos, 32/9-33/3; Bradford Dyers, 50/6-51/6; Fine Spinners, 48/6-49/-; "Slubbers," 7/3-7/6; Coats, 62/6-63/-; Ship Canal, 8⅛-8⅛; Velvets, 21/6-22/-; Amalgamated Cottons, 7/-7/3; Dunlops, 24/-24/3; Courtaulds, 135/-137/6; Hoyles, 31/9-32/3; Hollins, 23/6-23/9.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON — Alliance, 15 3/16, 14 15/16, 15; Consolidated Assurance, 11/8¼, 12/-, 11/11¼; Eagle Star, 8 5/16, 3/16; General Accident, 8 3/16, 3/16; Guardian Assurance, 7 3/16, [illegible]; Northern Assurance, 13 11/16, ¼, ¼, 1/16; Prudential B, 38/9, 6d., 2¼d., 9/-; Royal Insurance, 31, ¼, ¼; Scottish Union, £10 13/6, 10 11/16; Sun Insurance, 22¼, ¼; Yorkshire Insurance, 11 1/16.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL—Alliance 299/3; do. New, 16, 3/6; Caledonian Insurance, 15¼; Commercial Union, 23¼; Employers' Liability, 81/9; General Accident, 8 3/16; North British, 23¾; Phoenix, 12 11/16; do. Pelican, 260/6, 60/-, 35/6; Royal Insurance, £31 6/9, 3d.; do. Deb., 86¾; Sun Insurance Office, 22 3/16.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL SALES.

At the wool sales held at Melbourne yesterday 7,500 bales were offered, of which 98 per cent. were sold. There was good general competition. American buyers being keen on best wools. The Continent gave good support. The improvement shown earlier in the week was more than maintained. Compared with the opening rates of the series, good super merinos were 5 per cent., best comebacks and crossbreds 2½ to 5 per cent. and medium crossbreds 5 per cent. higher. Average top-making sorts, lambs' locks, and all oddments were in sellers' favour. The highest prices realised were merino 30d., and comeback 27½d.

At the wool sales held at Sydney yesterday 8,715 bales were offered, of which 8,015 were sold. Private sales totalled 629 bales. The selection was good. There was keen demand for fine wools, and values were extremely firm at full late rates. Bradford buyers gave good support. Greasy merino realised 29½d.

BIG RUBBER SHORTAGE PREDICTED BY 1930.

Mr. Octave Homberg, a director of the Central Mining Company and Chairman of the Société des Caotchoucs de l'Indo-Chine, late French financial delegate at Washington during the war, in a remarkable lecture delivered recently on the production and consumption of rubber, forecasts a probable balancing of supply and demand this year, and a shortage of 100,000 to 150,000 tons between 1929 and 1932.

ENGLISH ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN BOND AND SHARE HOLDERS.

PROSPEROUS AMERICA—THE POSITION OF THE RAILROADS.

The forty-first annual general meeting of the English Association of American Bond and Share Holders, Limited, was held yesterday at the offices of the Company, 5 Great Winchester street, London, E.C.

Mr. John F. A. Swanston (Chairman of the Company) presided.

The Secretary (Mr. Charles D. Brassey, F.C.I.S.) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the Auditor,

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, I presume that you will prefer to take the annual report as read. (Hear, hear.) You will have seen from our annual report that we are in a position once more to recommend, in addition to our usual dividend of 7½ per cent., an extra distribution of 1½ per cent., making our total dividend 9 per cent.—the same as for the two previous years. You will remember that before the year 1923 we were not permitted to distribute a higher dividend than 7½ per cent. Considering that, at the inception of this Association, in the year 1884, the keynote was "service" before "profits," we hope that our fellow shareholders will agree with us that this is a satisfactory return on their investment. We carry forward approximately the same amount as was brought in, and our reserve funds remain intact. Our carry forward would have been somewhat larger had it not been for the fact that we spent more on advertising than in the year 1924. It might be said by some: "What need has the Association to extend its advertising. Well, it is a matter on which there may be two opinions, but I ventured to point out last year, when I had the honour of addressing you, that since the war a generation has grown up which may be unaware even of our existence.

THE GOLD STANDARD — EMBARGO DELAYED DOLLAR INVESTMENTS.

By far the most important event affecting your interests as shareholders has been the restoration of the gold standard and the consequent recovery of the pound sterling. This would, doubtless, have been reflected to a much greater extent by a largely-increased interest in United States investments, had it not been for what has been called the "embargo" on investment of British money outside the confines of the Empire. This "embargo," or "gentlemen's agreement," was removed in November of last year—too late to be of any benefit to this Association's share registration and dividend collection departments. There are, however, unmistakable signs of a revival of interest in dollar stocks in the current year, but, bearing in mind the adage, "You should never prophesy unless you know," I will refrain from prognostications. The subject of the gold standard has been dealt with so ably, not to mention exhaustively, by the gentlemen who preside over the destinies of our great banks, as well as by publicists of various shades of opinion—and degrees of ability—that I am sure you will be relieved to hear that I do not propose to say anything on that subject.

DIVIDEND POSITION OF U.S. RAILROADS—A FORECAST FULFILLED.

Sixteen railroads took favourable dividend action in 1925, as against one reduction and one omission. Addressing you in March last year, I said:—"For those who are prepared to take some risk there are few more promising fields for obtaining capital increment than in some American railroad stocks." In the following month we went more fully into this subject by issuing to our broker and banker friends a booklet analysing some United States railroad stocks. This brochure proved to be popular, and quickly ran into a second edition, which, in turn, was rapidly exhausted. It may be of interest to mention that 19 Preferred Stocks and 26 Common Stocks were mentioned in that booklet, and, in addition, four Income Bonds (practically prior preference obligations).

Comparing the average prices of those investments given in the booklet with the average prices on 4th February, 1926, we find the following appreciations:—

Preferred Stocks	7½	per cent.
Common Stocks	20¾	per cent.
Income Bonds	13½	per cent.

We know that some of our friends have participated in this profit, and we hope that many did.

POSITION AND PROSPECTS OF U.S. RAILROADS.

Following the election of Mr. Coolidge to the Presidency of the United States of America in November, 1924, there has been an active and rising securities market in Wall street. The activity at first was chiefly confined to securities of industrial concerns, with which the English investing public generally is not familiar. It was not until the beginning of 1925 that Wall street recommenced to take an active interest in railway securities, many of which were well known on this side of the Atlantic before the war. Although on the London Stock Exchange there is no approach to pre-war activity in U.S.A. railway shares, and there is not likely to be for some time, London has certainly shown increased interest in them.

Our Association has continued to keep its statistical organisation up-to-date, and I do not think there is any field of investment securities about which more reliable and up-to-date information can be obtained than that concerning U.S.A. railways. Very complete returns have to be made by the railways to the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and we make it our business to keep these figures up-to-date. In the near future very important developments as regards mergers and groupings of railways are expected, and I would like very briefly to sketch the position as it appears at the moment, with the hope that it may be of assistance to that part of the British investing public which does not remember the pre-war days when U.S.A. railway securities were so well known over here.

The railways, which had been worked under Federal control during the time that the U.S.A. was in the war, were returned to private management on 1st March, 1920. Each year since has witnessed progressive improvement in efficiency of management and consequent increase in earnings. At the present moment the railways in America are doing better business than ever before. As long as there was any likelihood of adverse legislation, the railroads pursued a very conservative policy as regards dividends, and were content to put surplus earnings back into their lines; but, under the present Administration at Washington and under the provisions of the Transportation Act, they are now assured of a fair deal. Even railways which, in pre-war days, were considered as never likely to do any good, have built up their properties, and seem in a fair way to be able to pay dividends in the not far distant future. Some have already begun distributions. Old established dividend-payers, such as Atchison, Illinois, Louisville and Nashville, New York Central, Norfolk and Western Pennsylvania, Southern Pacific and Union Pacific, have been building up, both physically and financially, and at the present moment have large equities behind their Common Stocks.

There is a growing feeling in the U.S.A. that Common Stockholders in some prosperous railroads might receive more generous treatment, in that they are not receiving adequate returns in the way of dividends, and in some cases this is probably true, and I think it is only reasonable to assume that, sooner or later, some further reward, either in the form of increased dividend, stock bonus or issue of new stock with valuable subscription rights, will be given to shareholders. Before I leave this part of my speech, may I point out that the risk of loss in exchange to purchasers of dollar stocks no longer exists since the pound sterling is now at about the gold parity?

THE TRANSPORTATION ACT.

The Railway Transportation Act of 1920 is in course of amendment, and one important feature which, it is expected, will be approved by Congress and which has received the benediction of the President is the giving of authority to the ruling body—the Inter-State Commerce Commission—to sanction consolidations of railroads if they—the Commissioners—consider such consolidations to be for the good of the country in general. As the law at present stands, all parties who can claim any interest—however insignificant—are entitled to be heard, and at the present time one highly important consolidation has been held up while the Commission is hearing all sorts of frivolous objections from, in many cases, obscure quarters. It is generally considered that this amendment will be on the Statute Book early this year, and that it will result in many important consolidations of railroads into fewer and larger systems, with benefit to the stockholders concerned.

U.S. INCOME TAX AND DIVIDENDS.

Another important piece of legislation also likely to be passed early this year is the reduction of the normal income tax from 6 per cent. to 5 per cent., with the raising of the exemption limit from $1,000 to $1,500—I mean so far as the tax is applicable to "non-resident aliens," in which category, you may not readily appreciate, are to be found ourselves, as viewed from the other side of the Atlantic. Here I may mention that dividends derived from stock (as opposed to bonds) pay no United States income tax until the income from that source exceeds $10,000, when they become liable to surtax—that is, super-tax, which begins at 1 per cent. on the excess over $10,000 dividend income. Corporations are not liable to surtax, and, therefore, pay no income tax whatever on income derived from dividends on U.S.A. stocks. This is an important feature for investment trust companies to bear in mind.

HAPPY EMPLOYEES AND THE REASON.

Despite the fact that there was a strike of anthracite coal miners—which, happily, has now terminated—the relations between Capital and Labour are, for the most part, harmonious. This is by no means solely due to active trade and high wages, although these happy factors exist. No; it is due to a much more stable and enduring reason—namely, that the worker—the manual worker—is also a capitalist. I believe, but I speak subject to correction, that the pioneer in bringing about this splendid state of things was the great United States Steel Corporation, which in 1909 began by offering its employés the opportunity of buying the Common Stock at $[illegible] per $100 share on easy terms of payment. Since that year the employés have purchased more and more stock year by year, and at the end of 1925 held more than one million shares—say, $100,000,000 par value, or, say, £20,000,000—worth at the present time, in round figures, £27,000,000. Besides this they hold a large amount of Preferred Stock.

The Pennsylvania Railroad employés, whose stock purchase scheme is of much more recent date, held on 1st January this year 19,0[illegible] shares, of a par value of $953,100 and a market value of rather more than this amount. These are only two of a very large number of instances.

TRADE FLOURISHING IN U.S.

You are probably aware that throughout the past year trade in the U.S.A. has been flourishing, wages high, and unemployment almost unknown. At the close of 1925 trade was in a healthy condition and inventories were light. The railroads have had a prosperous year. In order that their service to the public might be the best possible, the Class I. railroads either actually spent or authorised to be spent approximately one thousand two hundred million dollars on improvements to the transportation plant, expansion of the capacity of such plant, etc. The appreciation which has occurred in United States Railroad Stocks has certainly, as regards the representative dividend-paying stocks, been based on a solid foundation.

RISE IN U.S. RAILROAD STOCK JUSTIFIED.

Writing on 12th January, our American statistical agents say: "In spite of the fact that ten representative dividend-paying Railroad Stocks have advanced by 22 points since June 8th, 1925, these stocks are, relative to share earnings, just as favourably priced as seven months ago. In June last the average indicated share earnings on selling price was 11.22 per cent., as against 11.23 per cent. at present. The fact is that the Rail Stock prices have gone up in almost perfect unison with the ratio of increase in share earnings. While yields have decreased, due to higher share prices, margins of safety and share earnings have increased. These facts bear testimony to the conclusion that Rail Stocks sell on the basis of earning power and margin of safety rather than on yields.

In the U.S.A. the past year witnessed a large increase in output per worker, or, in other words, creation of wealth and prosperity was widely diffused among all classes of the population. Wages were high and commodity prices remarkably stable, thus ensuring the equitable distribution of purchasing power among the producers, which was the mainstay of the industrial markets. The *efficiency of industrial organisation, the excellence of railway transport facilities, contributed largely* to the year's success.

CAUSES OF AMERICAN PROSPERITY.

What are the causes of this American prosperity? It is due to the workingman appreciating the fact that, if the country prospers, he shares in that prosperity. He is encouraged to produce by means of labour-saving machinery. The high rate of production per man enables him to earn a high wage; high wages mean large purchasing power; large purchasing power means active demand in the home market and widespread prosperity.

TRIBUTE TO OFFICERS AND STAFF.

Well, gentlemen, I cannot conclude without making some reference to our staff. You are all so familiar with the qualities of our manager, Mr. Brassey, that little need be said by me. His unrivalled experience and zeal has been placed unreservedly at the service of the Association during 1925, as in previous years. He has been well supported by the entire staff. The maintenance of our position would not have been possible but for the efficiency and loyalty with which the whole staff discharge their duties. As a shareholder and chairman of your Board, I should like to express my appreciation of the manner in which all have worked. I now beg to move—"That the report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925, be received and adopted, and that a dividend of 15s. per share—viz., 7½ per cent.—and an extra dividend of 3s. per share—viz., 1½ per cent.—both less income tax, be distributed on the paid-up capital of the company"; and I will ask Mr. Reynolds to second that.

Mr. Thomas Reynolds seconded the resolution.

Mr. Charles D. Brassey—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, although it may not be quite in order for me to rise now, I hope you will allow me to thank you for the very kind way in which you have spoken of the staff and myself. I feel that if I were to say that your reference to myself was unduly flattering, I might possibly lay myself open to a charge of mock humility; but, as regards the staff, there can be no question that your remarks are entirely justified. (Hear, hear.) It would be difficult to find a more zealous, hard-working, and conscientious staff than ours, and, on their behalf and my own, I again thank you for your kind remarks. (Applause.)

The resolution was carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Chairman, Mr. Thomas Reynolds was re-elected a director of the company. The Chairman mentioned that Mr. Reynolds was one of the original directors, and was completing his 42nd year of service.

On the motion of Mr. William S. Mowbray, the auditor, Mr. Harold D. Bell, F.C.A., was re-elected; and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, directors, and staff.

CROWE, WILSON AND CO.'S MEETING.

The meeting was held yesterday at 26 Lower Bridge street, Dublin, Mr. W. A. Lewis, managing director, presiding. The other directors present were: Messrs. P. H. Grierson, B. Thompson, and T. Rogers. It was resolved that the report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925, be adopted, and a dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, less income tax, be declared on the Ord. Shares for the half-year ended 31st December last. Mr. T. C. Rogers was re-elected a director, and Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Co. were appointed auditors. A resolution of thanks was passed to the Chairman, directors, and staff.

IRISH FAIRS.

DUNGARVAN.—This was a small fair, only a limited supply of stock being on offer, but prices reached a fair standard. Best three-year-old bullocks and heifers made from £15 to £[illegible]; secondary sorts making from £13 to £15. Some good weanlings were on offer; the best were sold at from £9 to £10 each, and in a few exceptional cases £11 was reached. A few fat cows realised from £3 to £3 10/- a cwt. dead weight. Some nice young cows fit for slaughter made up to £4 per cwt. dead weight. Springers were scarce, but dear; the best changed hands at from £[illegible] to £26; other sorts were sold from £17 to £20. A small supply of sheep and lambs were on the market; the best sheep made from 1/- to 1/3 per lb., lambs being sold at from 50/- to 55/- each. A large quantity of pigs were sold at from £4 10/- to £5 10/- apiece, sows with farrows making from £14 to £20, according to quality. The supply of horses was small, and the prices ranged from £[illegible] to £12, with a few exceptions, which made up to £16. There was a good business done on the whole.

Whaddon Chase hounds pursued a fox on the Bletchley-Oxford railway line, where it ran for a mile between the rails, until a train frightened it to cover. The driver stopped the train and told the huntsman where the fox had disappeared.

LONDON MINING

RECOVERY IN

The Mining Market kept very firm, but the leading Kaffirs were mostly content to maintain former levels, while the deduction of dividends gave several counters a cheap appearance. Anglo-American were easier, but Rand Mines and Meyer and Charlton appreciated, and there was again some Cape demand for Van Ryn Deep, while Central Mining, Union Corporation, Crown Mines, Johnnies, and Modderfontein were well maintained. Vereeniging were a good market, and T.C.L. rallied on the latest news regarding the arrangements made for the disposal of the platinum output of the Onverwacht. Transvaal "Devels" were easier, but S.A. Townships and other platinum issues were unaltered. In the Rhodesian department Chartered once more came to the front, and,

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Feb. 15.

1⅞	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1 15/16-1⅞ — 1/32
17/9	Anglo-French	17/6-18/0
3⅛	Brakpan	3⅛-3⅜*
15⅛	Cent. Min'g (£8)	16⅛-16⅜
3/9	Central W'at (3/-)	4/0-4/6
2⅛	City Deep	2⅛-2⅜
1⅛	Con. Goldfields	1⅛-1⅜
11/6	Cons. Main Reef	11/3-11/9
17/9	Con. M. Sel. 10/	17/0-17/6
2⅛	Crown Mines (10/)	2 13/16-2⅞
15/0	Durban Deep	14/9-15/3
6/0	E. Rand Prop.	5/6-5/9 — 1½
3⅛	Geduld	3⅛-3⅜*
29/9	Gen. Mining	29/9-30/3
10/0	G. M. Investment	9/9-10/3 + 0/3
8	Gover'ment Mines	7⅛-8
4/6	Hendles Plat. (5/)	4/0-4/6
4/6	Hendersons (5/)	3/10½-4/1½
46/0	Johan'burg I'vst.	46/0-46/6
4/0	Kleinfontein	3/9-4/3
11/9	Knight's	11/3-11/9
20/3	Langlaagte Est.	20/3-20/9
⅛	Lydenburg Plat.	1⅛-1⅜
7⅛	Meyer & Charlton	7⅛-7⅜ + ⅛
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅜
20/3	Modder B (5/)	1⅛-1⅜*
2⅛	Modder Deep (5/)	2⅛-2⅜ — 1/32
1⅛	Modder East	2⅛-2⅜*
4⅛	New State Areas	3/6-4/6
7/0	Nigel	6/9-7/3
2⅛	Nourse Mines	2⅛-2⅜*
1⅛	Rand Mines (5/)	2⅛-2⅜ + ⅛
14/0	Randfontein	13/6-14/0
1	Rob'son D A (1/)	1⅛-1⅜*
1⅛	Robinson Dp. B.	1⅛-1⅜*
8/9	Rose Deep	8/6-9/0
17/6	S.A. Gold Trust	2⅛-2⅜*
20/3	S.A. Twnps (10/)	20/3-20/9
2⅛	Springs Mines	2⅛-2⅜*
23/3	Sub W. Africa	23/0-24/0 + 0/3
16⅛	Sub Nigel	15/9-16/3* — 1⅛
3⅛	Trans. and Del. B.	3⅛-3⅜
3⅛	Trans. Con. L (10/)	3⅛-3⅜ + ⅛
17/6	Trans. Devel	17/6-18/6 — 0/3
2⅛	Union Corp (12/6)	2⅛-2⅜
19/9	Van Ryn	19/6-20/0
2⅛	Van Ryn Deep	2⅛-2⅜ + 1/32
27/6	Vereeniging	27/6-28/0 + 0/3
7/3	Village Deep	7/0-7/6
13/6	West Rand Con.	13/6-14/0
28/9	West Springs	27/3-27/9*
1⅛	Wit'erarand Deep	26/9-27/9*

RUSSIAN.

8/9	Lena Gold	8/6-9/0
6/0	Russo-Asiat. Cns	3/10½-6/1½
6/0	Russian Mining	6/3-6/9
[illegible]	Spassky	7/6-8/6

RHODESIAN.

9/4½	Bechuanaland E[illegible]
9/3	Beira Town Site
7/6	Bwana M'Kubwa
2⅛	Cam and Motor
27/0	Chart'd B.S.A.
3/6	Falcon
18/6	Gaika Gold
9/0	Globe & Phoenix
8/1	Gold F. Rho. (10/)
[illegible]	Lonely Reef
2⅛	Rezende
4/1½	R. Broken Hill
6⅛	R. Congo Border
10/9	Selukwe (2/6)
[illegible]	Shamva Mines
7/6	Sherwood Starr
2⅛	Tanganyika
49/0	Vic. Falls Ord
31/6	do. Pref
27/0	Wankie Col. (10/)
7/6	Willoughby
2⅛	Zambesia Expl.

DIAMONDS.

16/9	Angola Diamond
22/6	Con. D. S.W. A.
14	De Beers Def.
13	do. Pref.
[illegible]	Jagersfontein
8/0	N. Val. River
7⅛	Premier Pf. (5/)
15/0	West African

AUSTRALIAN.

1⅛	Amal. Zinc
1/3	Associated (4/)
25/9	Broken Hill Pr
3⅛	B. Hill Sth. (Ne
1⅛	Electro Zinc P
6⅛	North Broken H
20/0	Sulphide Ord.
12/3	South Kalgurli
30/0	Zinc Ord. (10/-)
4⅛	do. Pref.

WEST AFRICAN.

14/3	Ashanti Gold (4/
11/6	Fanti Cons. (8/)
16/9	Gold Coast Ama
3/1½	Taquah & Abosso

* Ex. Dividend.

PRODUCE AND F

CATTLE.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN CATTLE, North Circular road, Thursday.—There was some further shrinkage in supplies of stock marketed this week, and, with a good attendance of local and Provincial buyers, besides a business-like following of cross-Channel men, trade was dominated by a healthier tone throughout. For the nicer qualities of both cattle and sheep, prices generally had a firmer bearing, but previous money, all the same, was difficult to beat, unless in occasional fancy instances. The Norfolk stall-feeding centre, being held up recently (having come within the scheduled restrictions under the Foot and Mouth Disease Order), left London and South of England without heavy bullocks from that source. There was, consequently, a considerably improved enquiry for that class of animal here, and the right sort of 12 to 13½ or 14 cwt. bullocks were scarcely sufficient to satisfy commission men's wants, whilst nice handy qualities of heifer in finished condition, too, were short of requirements. In these cases only were occasional advances practicable; the most that can be said of the beef market is that it was firmer, this being mainly apparent in the intermediate descriptions of stock. In the Sheep department there was also a much healthier tone manifest, and, with a further improvement on last week's position, the depression recorded a fortnight ago is about fully wiped out. Notwithstanding the more moderate offerings, there was still some carryover of poor descriptions of stock, which it was hard to find clients for. It must be stated that fluke ravishes in stock have still to be reckoned with; indeed, perhaps, more decidedly than last autumn, as recent frosty, chilly weather, with sleet and cold rains, seems to have aggravated the disease, and animals are certainly not thriving well in the circumstances. With regard to Canadian cattle, shipping prices are reported to be lower, viz.—8.00 to 8.25 dollars per 100lbs. for choice steers; 7.25 to 7.75 for medium to good, and around 7.00 for fair; heifers are quoted from 7.25 to 7.50; bulls and cows from 5.25 to 5.75 for the ordinary run. Shipments advised from Montreal for the week are much as last week, viz.—something over 1,400 head for Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow, the nicer selections of bullocks going to the latter port.

	Numbers on sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of 1925.	1924.
Cattle	3,351,	decrease 271	3,292	2,384
Sheep	4,197,	decrease 372	5,487	5,302
Veal calves	3,	decrease 6	8	6

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DUBLIN DAIRY CATTLE.—The gathering of milch cattle on market totalled 205 head. Generally only really good class of heifer springers and milkers maintained previous interest in trade and value, but other descriptions of dairy cattle proved a dragging and depressed sale. Crewe having become a scheduled area against distribution of stock, young English type of cow experienced a most disappointing enquiry, but for prime heavy Scotch class of cows matters were, perhaps, worse. Local dairymen also extended very lukewarm support to market. Heifer milchers £21 to £26 and £27 each, prime young English class of cow £24 to £28, and Scotch type £28 to £30 and £31 each; best ordinary stockers £20 to £25, small, etc., from, say, £10 10/- to £18 and £19 each.

DUBLIN PIG.—Market slightly heavier than last Thursday, totalling 816 exhibits. Fair attendance of buyers, but tone in trade quieter, probably due to opening of Lenten season. Values correspondingly harder to sustain, but no actual reduction in a general way can be recorded in currencies from last week. Choice quality bacon hogs 110- to 112/- per cwt., heavy 108/- to 110/-, coarser classes 96/- to 100/-, sows 75/- to 80/- per cwt. dead-weight; stores continue to sell well.

Strong Lambs, ready to market early, result from the use of "EMERALD" EWE AND LAMB NUTS. Give the Ewes ½lb. to 1lb. per day and watch the Lambs grow.

MANUFACTURERS: PAUL AND VINCENT, LTD. Offices: Blackhall place, Dublin. Established 1842. (Advt.)

BRISTOL.—Fair supply of beef, 95/- per cwt., dead-weight. Fair supply of mutton, 1/1 to 1/3 per lb. About 300 store cattle offered and sold at about late rates; milch cows £22 to £25, and up to £37 for extras.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Supplies are slightly better, but still small; trade active and late advanced rates fully maintained. Sizeable bacons 21/- per score dead-weight, cutters 21/- to 22/-, and sows 16/-.

Big fall in prices of Oil Cakes and Meals. All Cakes guaranteed 100 per cent. Purity, and see that you get this guarantee before you buy elsewhere.

Agent: WILLIAM ROURKE, 36 North Circular road, Dublin. (Advt.)

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (The Baltic).—WHEAT—The market for cargoes was less depressed, sellers showing more reserve, with prices generally at a steady level, though buyers still hold off. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb. sellers 61/-, No. 2 ditto 59/-;

F AMERICAN BOND HOLDERS.

THE POSITION OF THE ...ADS.

...nt. to 5 per cent., with the raising of the ...emption limit from $1,000 to $1,500 ...ean so far as the tax is applicable to "non-...sident aliens," in which category you may ...ot readily appreciate, are to be found ourse...lves, as viewed from the other side of the ...tlantic. Here I may mention that dividends ...rived from stock (as opposed to bonds) pay ... United States income tax until the income ...om that source exceeds $10,000, when they ...ecome liable to surtax—that is, super-tax—...hich begins at 1 per cent. on the excess over ...0,000 dividend income. Corporations are ...ot liable to surtax, and, therefore, pay no ...come tax whatever on income derived from ...ividends on U.S.A. stocks. This is an im-...ortant feature for investment trust com-...anies to bear in mind.

HAPPY EMPLOYEES AND THE REASON.

Despite the fact that there was a strike of ...nthracite coal miners—which, happily, has ...ow terminated—the relations between Capital ...nd Labour are, for the most part, har-...monious. This is by no means solely due to ...ctive trade and high wages, although these ...appy factors exist. No; it is due to a much ...ore stable and enduring reason—namely, ...hat the worker—the manual worker—is also ... capitalist. I believe, but I speak subject to ...orrection, that the pioneer in bringing about ...his splendid state of things was the great ...nited States Steel Corporation, which in ...909 began by offering its employés the oppor-...unity of buying the Common Stock at $... ...er $100 share on easy terms of payment. ...ince that year the employés have purchased ...ore and more stock year by year, and at the ...nd of 1925 held more than one million shares ...—say, $100,000,000 par value, or, say, ...20,000,000—worth at the present time, in ...ound figures, £27,000,000. Besides this they ...old a large amount of Preferred Stock.

The Pennsylvania Railroad employés, whose ...tock purchase scheme is of much more recent ...ate, held on 1st January this year 19,0... ...hares, of a par value of $953,100 and a ...arket value of rather more than this amount. ...hese are only two of a very large number of ...nstances.

TRADE FLOURISHING IN U.S.

You are probably aware that throughout the ...ast year trade in the U.S.A. has been ...ourishing, wages high, and unemployment ...lmost unknown. At the close of 1925 trade ...as in a healthy condition and inventories ...ere light. The railroads have had a prosperous ...ear. In order that their service to the ...ublic might be the best possible, the ...lass I. railroads either actually spent ...r authorised to be spent approximately one ...housand two hundred million dollars on im-...provements to the transportation plant, ex-...pansion of the capacity of such plant, etc. ...The appreciation which has occurred in ...United States Railroad Stocks has certainly, ...as regards the representative dividend-paying ...stocks, been based on a solid foundation.

RISE IN U.S. RAILROAD STOCK JUSTIFIED.

Writing on 12th January, our American statistical agents say: "In spite of the fact that ten representative dividend-paying Railroad Stocks have advanced by 28 points since June 8th, 1925, these stocks are, relative to share earnings, just as favourably priced as seven months ago. In June last the average indicated share earnings on selling price was 11.22 per cent., as against 11.23 per cent. at present. The fact is that the Rail Stock prices have gone up in almost perfect unison with the ratio of increase in share earnings. While yields have decreased, due to higher share prices, margins of safety and share earnings have increased. These facts bear testimony to the conclusion that Rail Stocks sell on the basis of earning power and margins of safety rather than on yields.

In the U.S.A. the past year witnessed a large increase in output per worker, or, in other words, creation of wealth and prosperity was widely diffused among all classes of the population. Wages were high and commodity prices remarkably stable, thus ensuring the equitable distribution of purchasing power among the producers, which was the mainstay of the industrial markets. The efficiency of industrial organisation, the excellence of railway transport facilities, contributed largely to the year's success.

CAUSES OF AMERICAN PROSPERITY.

What are the causes of this American prosperity? It is due to the workingman appreciating the fact that, if the country prospers, he shares in that prosperity. He is encouraged to produce by means of labour-saving machinery. The high rate of production per man enables him to earn a high wage; high wages mean large purchasing power; large purchasing power means active demand in the home market and widespread prosperity.

TRIBUTE TO OFFICERS AND STAFF.

Well, gentlemen, I cannot conclude without making some reference to our staff. You are all so familiar with the qualities of our manager, Mr. Brassey, that little need be said by me. His unrivalled experience and zeal has been placed unreservedly at the service of the Association during 1925, as in previous years. He has been well supported by the entire staff. The maintenance of our position would not have been possible but for the efficiency and loyalty with which the whole staff discharge their duties. As shareholder and chairman of your Board, I should like to express my appreciation of the manner in which all have worked. I now beg to move—"That the report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925, be received and adopted, and that a dividend of 15s. per share—viz., 7½ per cent.—and an extra dividend of 3s. per share—viz., 1½ per cent.—both less income tax, be distributed on the paid-up capital of the company"; and I will ask Mr. Reynolds to second that.

Mr. Thomas Reynolds seconded the resolution.

Mr. Charles D. Brassey—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, although it may not be quite in order for me to rise now, I hope you will allow me to thank you for the very kind way in which you have spoken of the staff and myself. I feel that if I were to say that your reference to myself was unduly flattering, I might possibly lay myself open to a charge of mock humility; but, as regards the staff, there can be no question that your remarks are entirely justified. (Hear, hear.) It would be difficult to find a more zealous, hard-working, and conscientious staff than ours, and, on their behalf and my own, I again thank you for your kind remarks. (Applause.)

The resolution was carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Chairman, Mr. Thomas Reynolds was re-elected a director of the company. The Chairman mentioned that Mr. Reynolds was one of the original directors, and was completing his 42nd year of service.

On the motion of Mr. William S. Mowbray, the auditor, Mr. Harold D. Bell, F.C.A., was re-elected; and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, directors, and staff.

CROWE, WILSON AND CO.'S MEETING.

The meeting was held yesterday at 26 Lower Bridge street, Dublin, Mr. W. A. Lewis, managing director, presiding. The other directors present were: Messrs. P. H. Grierson, B. Thompson, and T. Rogers. It was resolved that the report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925, be adopted, and a dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, less income tax, be declared on the Ord. Shares for the half-year ended 31st December last. Mr. T. C. Rogers was re-elected a director, and Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Co. were appointed auditors. A resolution of thanks was passed to the Chairman, directors, and staff.

IRISH FAIRS.

DUNGARVAN.—This was a small fair, only limited supply of stock being on offer, but prices reached a fair standard. Best three-year-old bullocks and heifers made from £15 to £1..., secondary sorts making from £13 to £15. Some good weanlings were on offer; the best were sold at from £9 to £10 each, and in a few exceptional cases £11 was reached. A few fat cows realised from £3 to £3 10/- a cwt. dead weight. Some nice young cows fit for slaughter made up to £4 per cwt. dead weight. Springers were scarce but dear; the best changed hands at from £23 to £26; other sorts were sold from £17 to £20. A small supply of sheep and lambs were on the market; the best sheep made from 1/- to 1/4 per lb., lambs being sold at from 50/- to 55/- each. A large quantity of pigs were sold at from £4 10/- to £5 10/- apiece, sows with farrows making from £14 to £20, according to quality. The supply of horses was small, and the prices ranged from £10 to £12, with a few exceptions, which made up to £16. There was a good business done on the whole.

Whaddon Chase hounds pursued a fox to the Bletchley-Oxford railway line, where it ran for a mile between the rails, until a train frightened it to cover. The driver stopped the train and told the huntsman where the fox had disappeared.

LONDON MINING MARKET FIRM.

RECOVERY IN CHARTEREDS.

The Mining Market kept very firm, but the leading Kaffirs were mostly content to maintain former levels, while the deduction of dividends gave several counters a cheap appearance. Anglo-American were easier, but Rand Mines and Meyer and Charlton appreciated, and there was again some Cape demand for Van Ryn Deep, while Central Mining, Union Corporation, Crown Mines, Johnnies, and Modderfontein were well maintained. Vereeniging were a good market, and T.C.L. rallied on the latest news regarding the arrangements made for the disposal of the platinum output of the Onverwacht. Transvaal "Devels" were easier, but S.A. Townships and other platinum issues were unaltered. In the Rhodesian department Chartered once more came to the front, and, in response to a steady inquiry, the shares marked a recovery. Tanks were steady, and Zambesia Exploring strengthened, while Cam and Motor, allowing for the deduction of the dividend, were well maintained. A distinct change for the better came over the diamond section. A good demand sprang up on both home and Paris account for the De Beers issues, and substantial gains were scored, while Jagersfontein were also a better market. Allowing for the dividend, Consolidated Diamonds were thought to look cheap at 20s. 6d., and a little nibbling was in progress. The price of tin was finally £1 15s. higher at £289 17s. 6d. per ton, and the share market had a very firm appearance. Coppers were left almost entirely to themselves, except that Rio Tinto were alternately offered and bid for, and closed unchanged. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Feb. 15.		
1⅞	Anglo-Amer.Corp.	1⅞-1⅞ − 1/16
17/9	Anglo-French	17/6-18/0
3⅝	Brakpan	3⅝-3⅞
15¼	Cent. Min'g (£8)	16¼-16¾
3 9	Central W'st (5/-)	4 0-4 6
2⅜	City Deep	2½-2⅝
1⅝	Con. Goldfields	1⅝-1⅞
11 6	Cons.Main Reef	11 3-11/9
17 0	Con. M. Sel. 10/-	17 0-17 6
2⅞	Crown Mines (10/)	2⅞-2⅞
15 0	Durban Deep	14 9-15/3
9/0	E. Rand Prop	8 6-8 9 −/1½
3 4	Geduld	3½-3⅝
29 9	Gen. Mining	29 9-30/3
10 0	G. M. Investment	9 9-10/3 +0/3
8	Gover'ment Mines	7⅞-8
4 6	Hendies Plat. (5/)	4/0-4/6
4 0	Hendersons (5/)	3/10½-4/1½
46 0	Johan'burg I'vst	46/0-46/6
5 0	Kleinfontein	3/9-4/3
12 0	Knight's	11 3-11/9
20 3	Langlaagte Est	20/3-20/9
1⅛	Lydenburg Plat	[illegible]
7⅝	Meyer & Charlton	7⅝-7⅞ + 1/16
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅜
20 3	Modder B (5/)	[illegible]
1⅝	Modder Deep (5/)	1⅝-1⅞
13 6	Modder East	[illegible] − 1/16
2⅜	New State Areas	2⅜-2⅝
4 6	Nigel	3/6-4/6
7 0	Nourse Mines	6/9-7/3
2⅜	Rand Mines (5/)	2⅜-2⅝ + 1/16
14 0	Randfontein	13 6-14 0
1	Rob'son D A (1/)	[illegible]
1	Robinson Dp. B.	1⅛-1⅜
9 0	Rose Deep	8/6-9/0
17 6	S.A. Gold Trust	[illegible]
20 9	S.A. Towns (10/)	20/3-20/9
2⅜	Sceiner Mines	2⅜-2⅝
23 9	Sth. W. Africa	23/0-24/0 +0/3
16 9	Sub Nigel	15/9-16/3 − /1½
3⅜	Trans. and Del. B.	3⅜-3⅝
3⅜	Trans. Con. L. (10/)	3⅜-3⅝ + 1/16
1⅝	Trans. Devel	17/6-18/6 −0/3
2⅜	Union Corp (12/6)	2⅜-2⅝
19 9	Van Ryn	19 6-20/0
2⅜	Van Ryn Deep	2⅜-2⅝ + 1/16
27/6	Vereeniging	27/6-28/0 +0/3
7/3	Village Deep	7/0-7/6
13 6	West Rand Con.	13/6-14 0
28/9	West Springs	27/3-27/9*
1⅛	Wit'erarand Deep	26/9-27/9*

RUSSIAN.

8 9	Lena Gold	8/6-9/0
6 0	Russo-Asiat. Cns	5/10½-6/1½
6 0	Russian Mining	6/3-6/9
⅞	Spassky	7/6-8/6

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Feb. 15.		
9/4½	Bechuanaland Ex	9/6-10/0
9/3	Beira Town Sites	9/6-10/6
7/6	Bwana M'Kubwa	7/0-7 3 −/1½
2⅛	Cam and Motor	2⅛-2⅜
27/0	Chart'd B.S.A.	26/4½-7/1½ +/4½
3/6	Falcon	3/3-3/9
18/6	Gaika Gold	18/0-19/0
9/0	Globe & Phoenix (5/)	9 3-9 9 −0/3
8/1	Gold F.Rho. (10/)	8 0-8 3
⅛	Lonely Reef	⅝-1 − 1/16
2⅜	Rezende	2⅜-2⅝
4/1½	R.Broken Hill (5/)	4 1½-4/7½
6½	R. Congo Border	7-7½ + 1/16
10/9	Selukwe (2/6)	11 0-11 7+/1½
⅛	Shamva Mines	1⅛-1⅛
⅜	Sherwood Starr (5/)	[illegible]
2⅛	Tanganyika	2⅜-2⅝
49/0	Vic. Falls Ord	2⅜-2⅝
31/6	do. Pref	31/6-32/6
27/9	Wankie Col. (10/)	27/0-28/0
7/4	Willoughby	7/4½-7/1½
2⅜	Zambesia Expl	2⅜-2⅝ + 1/16

DIAMOND.

16/9	Angola Diamond	16/6-17/6
22/6	Con. D. S. W. A.	22/3-22/9
14	De Beers Def.	14⅜-14⅝ + ⅜
13	do. Pref	13-13⅛ + ⅛
3⅞	Jagersfontein	3⅞-3⅞ + 1/16
8/0	N. Val. River	[illegible]
7⅛	Premier Pf. (5/-)	7⅛-7⅜
15/0	West African	14/9-15/3

AUSTRALIAN.

1⅛	Amal. Zinc	1⅜-1⅛
1/3	Associated (4/)	1/3-1/6
26/9	Broken Hill Prop.	26 6-27/6 −0/3
3⅛	B. Hill Sth. (New)	3⅜-3⅝ − 1/16
1⅜	Electro Zinc Pref.	1⅜-1⅜
6⅜	North Broken Hill	6⅜-6⅝ − 1/16
20/0	Sulphide Ord.	19/9-20/9
12/3	South Kalgurli	12/0-13/0
50/0	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	50/6-51/6 −1/0
4⅛	do. Pref.	4⅛-4⅜ − 1/16

WEST AFRICAN.

14 3	Ashanti Gold (4/)	14/0-14/6
11/6	Fanti Cons. (8/)	11/4½-10½
16/9	Gold Coast Amal.	16/3-10/9 +0/3
3/1½	Taquah & Abosso	2/10½-3/1½

TIN.

M.U. Feb. 15.		
14/9	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	14/6-15/0
⅛	Aramayo Mines	3⅝-4⅛
14/6	Bauchi Ord. (10/)	14/6-15/0 +0/3
21/3	do. Pref (10/)	21/3-21/9
10/6	Bisichi	10/3-10/9
2⅛	Gopeng	2⅛-2⅜
3⅛	Ipoh	44/6-47/6
18 6	Kaduna Synd (5/)	17/9-18/9 +0/3
3⅛	Kamunting	3⅛-3⅜ + 1/16
2⅜	Kramat Pulai	2⅜-2⅝
27 6	Malayan T.D	27/3-28/3
15/9	Mongu	15/0-16/0
1⅛	Naraguta	1⅛-1⅜
12/6	Pahang (5/-)	12/4½-1/0½
1⅜	Rambutan	1⅜-1⅝
6/9	RayfieldI (10/-)	6/3-6/9
21/3	do. 10 p.c. P. Pf.	19 3-20/3 +0/3
2⅛	Renong	2⅛-2⅜
14/7½	Ropp (4/ Shs)	14/6-15 0 +/1½
27/6	Siamese	27/9-28/6
4/6	South Bukeru (5/)	4 6-4/9
2⅛	Tavoy	46/6-47/6
10/3	Tin Props. (2/-)	12/6-13/0
2⅜	Tronoh	2⅜-3 + 1/16

COPPER.

12/6	Arizona (5/-)	[illegible]
⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	[illegible]
25/7½	Mount Lyell	25/0-26/0
7/9	Mount Morgan	7/6-8/6
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅛-1⅜
44⅞	Rio Tinto (£5)	44⅞-44⅞
5/0	S. American (2/).	5/0-5/6

MISCELLANEOUS.

6/0	Brit. Platinum	6/0 7/0
17/3	Burma Corp	16/10½-17/1½
10/0	Champion Reef	9/9-10 3 +0/6
1⅜	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅜-1⅛
20/0	Colombian Props	19/6-20/4
7/7½	Corderoy Synd	0/9-1/3
2⅛	Huronian Belt	2⅛-2⅜
7/1½	Keeley Silver	7/0-7/3
8/10½	Kirkland Lake	8/6-9/0
1⅜	Mexico Mines	1⅜-1⅝ − 1/16
3⅞	Minerals Separ't'n	3⅞-3⅞ + 1/16
15/4½	Min. Orp. of Can.	16/6-17/0 +0/3
14/6	Mysore (10/-)	14/9-15/9 +0/3
8/6	Nat. Min. (8/-)	8/4½-7½
7/0	Nundydroog	6/9-7/3
14/0	Ooregum	14/6-15/6
4/0	Oroville	3/9-4/3
10/6	St. John Del Rey.	10 0-11/0
30/6	SanFrancisco(10)	30/0-30/6 −0/3
20/9	Santa Gertrudis	20/4½-10½
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	[illegible]
7/10½	Vipond	7/6-7/9 −/1½
1⅛	Waihi Gold	1⅛-1⅛

* Ex. Dividend. † Ex. Rights.

PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN CATTLE, North Circular road, Thursday.—There was some further shrinkage in supplies of stock marketed this week, and, with a good attendance of local and Provincial buyers, besides a business-like following of cross-Channel men, trade was dominated by a healthier tone throughout. For the nicer qualities of both cattle and sheep, prices generally had a firmer bearing, but previous money, all the same, was difficult to beat, unless in occasional fancy instances. The Norfolk stall-feeding centre, being held up recently (having come within the scheduled restrictions under the Foot and Mouth Disease Order), left London and South of England without heavy bullocks from that source. There was, consequently, a considerably improved enquiry for that class of animal here, and the right sort of 12 to 13½ or 14 cwt. bullocks were scarcely sufficient to satisfy commission men's wants, whilst nice handy qualities of heifer in finished condition, too, were short of requirements. In these cases only were occasional advances practicable; the most that can be said of the beef market is that it was firmer, this being mainly apparent in the intermediate descriptions of stock. In the Sheep department there was also a much healthier tone manifest, and, with a further improvement on last week's position, the depression recorded a fortnight ago is about fully wiped out. Notwithstanding the more moderate offerings, there was still some carryover of poor descriptions of stock, which it was hard to find clients for. It must be stated that fluke ravishes in stock have still to be reckoned with; indeed, perhaps, more decidedly than last autumn, as recent frosty, chilly weather, with sleet and cold rains, seems to have aggravated the disease, and animals are certainly not thriving well in the circumstances. With regard to Canadian cattle, shipping prices are reported to be lower, viz.—8.00 to 8.25 dollars per 100lbs. for choice steers; 7.25 to 7.75 for medium to good, and around 7.00 for fair; heifers are quoted from 7.25 to 7.50; bulls and cows from 5.25 to 5.75 for the ordinary run. Shipments advised from Montreal for the week are much as last week, viz.—something over 1,400 head for Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow, the nicer selections of bullocks going to the latter port.

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Veal calves	3,	decrease 6	8	6

The beast market opened with more tone and energy, but scarcely sufficient to give any real extra strength to values. For tip-top bullocks and heifers scale prices averaged 49s. to 51s., and in super-grade cases 52s. to 53s. per cwt.; occasional fancy drafts of black-polled cattle around about 54s. per cwt. Of course these currencies reflect very little change. For the medium descriptions 46s. to 48s. was about average run, and lower grades 40s. to 45s. per cwt. It will be seen, therefore, that the intermediate range of values are about 1s. better than before. There was a fair number of bulls on market, but a disappointing demand at equally bad prices, which averaged, say, 35s. to 37s. 6d. per cwt., and fancy small weights around 40s. per cwt. Beef cows a fairly good trade, but it was difficult to secure satisfactory prices; 40s. was about tip-top level, whilst good slaughter cows were obtainable inside 32s. 6d. to 37s. 6d.; old and wasty sorts 22s. 6d. to 30s. per cwt. A tip-top finished young cow might have made 42s. 6d., but anything above 40s. was rare.

The narrower supplies of sheep were mostly apparent in the better qualities, and this put butchers more upon their mettle to secure suitable classes of two-year-old wethers, and for qualities weighing 80, 90 and 100 lbs. to the body prices were decidedly better, average being, say, £4 4s. to £5 5s. per head; perhaps, £5 10s. for something of extra outstanding class. For nice meated qualities of hoggets, too, butchers paid from £3 5s. to £3 17s. 6d., whilst shippers were again busy in that class of hogget which was obtainable inside 50s. to 60s. per head. The latter figure dealers were not inclined to exceed. Best quality wether mutton may be reckoned as 11½d. to 12½d. and 13d. per lb.; medium sorts, 10d. to 11d. per lb.; coarser descriptions around 9d. to 9½d., according to character. Spring lambs are more plentiful on private offer, but butchers do not appear to want them yet, and prices are consequently more or less uncertain; £5 to £3 10s. and £4 each is spoken of so far.

DUBLIN DAIRY CATTLE.—The gathering of milch cattle on market totalled 205 head. Generally only really good class of heifer springers and milchers maintained previous interest in trade and value, but other descriptions of dairy cattle proved a dragging and depressed sale. Crewe having become a scheduled area against distribution of stock, young English type of cow, experienced a most disappointing enquiry, but for prime heavy Scotch class of cows matters were, perhaps, worse. Local dairymen also extended very lukewarm support to market. Heifer milchers £21 to £26 and £27 each, prime young English class of cow £24 to £28, and Scotch type £28 to £30 and £31 each; best ordinary stockers £20 to £25, small, etc., from, say, £10 10/- to £18 and £19 each.

DUBLIN PIG.—Market slightly heavier than last Thursday, totalling 816 exhibits. Fair attendance of buyers, but tone in trade quieter, probably due to opening of Lenten season. Values correspondingly harder to sustain, but no actual reduction in a general way can be recorded in currencies from last week. Choice quality sizeable hogs 110/- to 112/- per cwt., heavy 105/- to 110/-, coarser classes 96/- to 100/-, sows 75/- to 80/- per cwt. dead-weight; stores continue to sell well.

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BRISTOL.—Fair supply of beef, 95/- per cwt., dead-weight. Fair supply of mutton, 1/1 to 1/3 per lb. About 300 store cattle offered and sold at about late rates; milch cows £22 to £25, and up to £37 for extras.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Supplies are slightly better, but still small; trade active and late advanced rates fully maintained. Sizeable bacons 21/- per score dead-weight, cutters 21/- to 22/-, and sows 16/-.

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GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (The Baltic).—WHEAT—The market for cargoes was less depressed, sellers showing more reserve, with prices generally at a steady level, though buyers still hold off. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb. sellers 61/-, No. 2 ditto 59/-; white Pacific Feb.-March 58/3, Australian loading 58/-, Barusso (61lbs.) afloat 52/3, Baril (61lbs.) loading 52/3. Parcels quiet, but fully steady; No 1 Northern Manitoba February-March sold 57/9 to 58/-, No. 2 mixed Durum Feb.-March 54/0, Australian arrived sold 55/9, afloat 57/6; Rosafe (57lbs.) Feb. 50/-, Barusso (61lbs.) loading 51/6 per 480lbs. MAIZE—Cargoes quietly steady; Plate steamers afloat sellers 32/-, May-June 32/-, Dan.-Gal.-Fox. March-April, also April-May, 31/-; yellow South Russian Feb.-March 31/6, white ditto 32/-. Parcels in better demand, and fully steady; Plate Feb.-March sold 30/-, May-June 30/4½ to 30/3 net per 480lbs. BARLEY dull; parcels of Black Sea Feb.-March sellers 26/3, No. 3 Canadian Western ditto 28/-, No. 4 ditto 26/6, American malting (48lbs.) Feb.-March 26/-. Plate ditto 26/9 per 400lbs. OATS quiet; Plate afloat, also March-April, sellers 19/9, No. 2 Canadian Western Feb. 25/3; No. 2 white clipped American (38lbs.) Feb. 22/-, No. 3 ditto (36lbs.) 21/3 per 320lbs.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—Liverpool and Chicago markets finished better than expected, while prediction of Argentine shipments for past week was considered moderate, and forward deliveries of wheat here improved to a liberal extent during early trading. Then prices receded and fluctuated moderately, but advanced sharply during the afternoon on shorts covering, steadier Argentine and advancing American cables, final rates being the best, and marking a heavy rise on last night. C.i.f. parcels of No. 1 Manitoba February sold at 59/- to 58/9 and Australian afloat 57/6 per quarter. C.i.f. parcels of MAIZE River Plate afloat sold at 28/6 to 29/- and May-June 30/- to 30/3 per quarter. Wheat on the spot firmly held. Maize spot parcels steady with River Plate quoted 6/7 to 6/7½ per cental. FLOUR quiet and prices favoured buyers. Graded wheat futures opened 1d. per cental dearer, further improved 1d. to ¾d., then receded to within ½d. to ¾d. of Wednesday night's rates, but again moved upwards, the market closing firm at 2d. to 2½d. advance on the day, March being most affected. Sales 150 loads at 11/3½, 11/2½ up to 11/5½ for March 11/2½, 11/1½, 11/3¾ May, and 11/1, 11/2½ for July delivery. Values—March 11/5¼, May 11/3½, July 11/2½ per cental. Maize options nominal.

MANCHESTER.—English wheat 13/- to 13/6 per cwt. on rail. English oats 8/6 to 9/3 per cwt. delivered. English feeding barley 7/6 to 8/3 per cwt. on rail. English beans 42/6 to 44/- per quarter on rail.

BRISTOL.—English wheat—Trade slow, 54/- to 56/-. Foreign wheat quiet, demand being only for immediate requirements; No. 1 Northern Manitoba 64/- to 64/6. Grinding barley slow; trade values show little change, 26/9 to 27/-. Plate maize—Quiet demand at about last week's prices. Oats slow; 6d. cheaper.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish BACON continues quiet, and Danish steady at unchanged prices, with a moderate inquiry for the latter. Canadian Wiltshires attract little attention, but prices unaltered. The market for American bacon here is still generally quiet, and with lower hog prices at Chicago and recent liberal arrivals here holders are free sellers on easy terms, though any quotable change is made in values. HAMS still quiet, and sellers easy to approach, but late prices are repeated for all cuts. Shoulders also in only moderate request, the recent decline in values failing to stimulate demand to any appreciable extent. LARD on the spot quiet, but steadily held at late rates for both prime steam and American refined. CHEESE remains quiet, and generally 1/- easier; New Zealand quoted 100/- to 105/-, and Canadian 103/- to 108/- per cwt. BUTTER firm for Danish, and dearer at 195/- to 200/- per cwt., owing to higher Copenhagen quotations, but other makes quiet, with New Zealand easier at 174/- to 177/- per cwt. EGGS dull, and lower for Irish fresh hen at 18/6 to 20/-, but Egyptian unchanged at 9/6 to 10/- per 120.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT (Smithfield).—Supplies to market yesterday totalled 2,337 tons made up as follows:—383 tons British and Irish produce and 1,954 tons imported. BEEF—Fresh killed supplies ample for demand, at easier rates. Heavy chilled supplies in fair request, at firm values. Scotch short sides 6/8 to 7/4, do. long 6/4 to 6/10; English do. 5/4 to 6/4, Danish do. 3/6 to 5/8, States and Canadian (Birkenhead killed) 5/4 to 6/4, Australian hindquarters (frozen) 3/- to 3/2, do. props 2/4, Argentine hindquarters (chilled) 3/8 to 4/4, do. forequarters 2/4 to 2/10, Uruguayan hind do. 3/6 to 3/8, do. forequarters 2/2 to 2/6. MUTTON—Fair supplies of fresh killed; trade slow, except for small cacase tegs at firm prices. Frozen supplies plentiful, at late rates. Scotch 6/8 to 7/8, do. tegs 7/8 to 9/8, English 6/- to 7/8, do. tegs 7/4 to 8/4, do. ewes 3/8 to 4/8; New Zealand wethers 4/- to 4/8, do. ewes 3/- to 3/6, Australian wethers 3/- to 3/6, Argentine do. 3/- to 4/4, do. ewes 2/10 to 3/4. LAMB—English new season 11/4 to 13/4, New Zealand 5/4 to 7/8, Australian 4/8 to 6/2, Argentine 4/8 to 6/-. PORK—Moderate supplies more than sufficient for demand, at firm values. English best, under 10st. 8/4 to 8/8, 10st. to 15st. 7/8 to 8/4, 15st. to 20st. 7/4 to 7/8, sows (fat) 6/- to 8/8, do. fat 6/2 to 6/8, frozen 6/- to 6/8. VEAL—Supplies ample for slow trade, at weaker prices. English fat 6/- to 8/-, do. bobbies 3/- to 5/8 and 4/8, Dutch fat 6/- to 8/4, do. bobbies 3/4 to 4/4. EGGS—Trade quiet; prices for first quality substantially reduced; further weakness in evidence, secondary qualities easier. Per 120—English new laid, grade 1 19/6 to 20/6, grade 2 17/6 to 18/6; Irish new laid 18/- to 18/6, Belgian 16/6 to 17/-, Danish (15½lbs.) 16/6 to 17/-, 18lbs. 18/6 to 19/6; Dutch mixed 17/- to 18/-, brown 18/- to 19/6, Italian 16/- to 17/-, Styrian 15/- to 16/-, Argentine 11/- to 13/-, Polish 13/- to 14/-, Russian fresh 12/- to 13/-, Moroccan 12/- to 12/6, Chinese 10/- to 12/6, Chinese specials 14/6, Egyptian 9/6 to 10/9; duck eggs, English 18/- to 20/-, Dutch new laid 18/- to 19/-, Dutch pickled 13/6. POULTRY, GAME and RABBITS (at per lb. or each as the case may be as follows):—Surrey chicken, per lb. 1/6 to 1/10, country 1/- to 1/6, Irish 1/2 to 1/4, Belgian 1/6 to 1/7, Dutch 1/2 to 1/4½, American 1/4 to 1/6, Hungarian 1/2 to 1/4, French 1/2 to 1/3, Russian 1/2 to 1/3, English hens (old) 10d. to 1/-, Irish 10d. to 11d., Aylesbury ducklings 1/4 to 1/7, country 1/4 to 1/7, English geese 1/1 to 1/3, French 1/- to 1/1, English turkeys 1/4 to 1/7, Irish 1/3 to 1/5, French 1/3 to 1/5, Hungarian 1/2 to 1/4, Italian 1/1 to 1/3, guinea fowl each 3/6 to 4/-, English hares 2/9 to 3/-, Scotch 1/2 to 1/6, leverets 2/- to 3/-, wild rabbits per lb. 6½d. to 8½d., tame 9d. to 10d., tame live 6d. LIVE POULTRY—Hens, large, heavy, fat, per lb. 11d. to 1/-, small or plain 9d.; cockerels, heavy breeds, 1/1 to 1/4, light 1/2 to 1/4; ducks, old, fat 8d. to 9d., medium 7d., geese, old 7d., turkeys, old 9d. to 11d.; pigeons, each 6d.

CARDIFF.—With increasing employment in the coalfield the provision market shows fair activity, but price movements are irregular. Wholesale quotations, delivered in Cardiff district:—BACON—Irish baled 125/- to 140/-, Danish lower at 123/- to 130/-, Canadian Wiltshires 105/- to 120/-, American dearer at 106/- to 112/-. HAMS—Irish scarce and nominal; American 118/- to 122/-, shoulders 85/- to 93/-. BUTTER irregular; Irish scarce and nominal; creamery, second quality, ex cold storage 165/- to 175/-, separator 150/- to 160/-; Danish dearer, 198/- to 200/-, all per cwt. EGGS—Irish hen lower, 21/6 to 22/6 per 120. POULTRY—Irish chickens 1/2 to 1/4 per lb.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Market fairly supplied. Sales well supported. Good cabbage in demand, but much rubbishy Savoy is coming in. Broccoli 1/3 to 2/6, 3/- and 4/- per dozen, sprouts 2/- to 4/- per float, etc.; Savoy cabbage, poor small loads 5/- to 12/- and 20/-, prime 25/- to 35/- and 40/-, extra good heavy loads up to 50/- and 58/-; York cabbage 24/- to 50/-, and extra 55/- per load; Swede turnips 1/8 to 2/1 per cwt., white turnips 4d. to 7d. per bundle, celery 2/- to 3/6 and 4/- per bundle, parsnips 4/- to 5/- per bag, and 1/3 to 1/6 per dozen bundles; carrots 1/8 to 2/2 do., parsley 1/- to 1/3 per tray, etc., 2/9 per bag; beet 1/6 to 2/- per dozen, thyme 6d. 8d. per bunch.

DUBLIN POTATO.—With ample supplies of potatoes and slow trade city values remain much as before. Really sound dry table tubers, however, are getting into fewer hands. Prices, 4/- to 4/6 and 5/- per cwt.

CORK BUTTER.—The market has undergone no noteworthy change. Creameries 180/- to 185/- per cwt., choicest mild 181/-, special dairies extra; farmers' fresh packages 163/-.

COPENHAGEN BUTTER.—Weekly quotation—348 kroner per 100 kilos, approximately £9 5/4 per cwt., an increase of 8/1 on the previous week.

DUBLIN FISH.—Eleven or twelve packages of salmon on market averaged 2/9 to 3/- per lb., and selected live 3/3. Of white fish there was a large supply, but bulk of mixed class and embracing a big proportion of poor whiting. 413 boxes of stuff from two steamers, 130 boxes of herrings, and 3 chests of lobsters featured in arrivals. Best lobsters 1/6 to 2/- each, others 5d to 1/- and 1/4 each; turbot 1/- to 20/- and 22/-, brill 1/- to 6/- each; black soles scarce here, but the trade are getting sufficient from cross-Channel sources. Plaice on boards 5/- to 8/- and 10/- per lot, half boxes of plaice 30/- to 100/- and 130/-, lemon soles 50/- to 80/-, white or ox soles 30/- to 44/-; hake 40/- to 70/-, codfish 25/- to 40/-, 45/- and 57/-, haddock 15/- to 25/-, 30/- and 40/-, whiting 12/- to 25/- and 30/-, pollock 10/- to 20/- and 25/-, ray 20/- to 26/- and 30/-; herrings from Buncrana and Bantry averaged 7/- to 12/6 and 14/-.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Moderate supply; fair demand. Soles 20d. to 24d., salmon 34d. to 42d. per lb.; live eels 16/- to 28/-, dead 13/- to 15/- per draught; turbot 19/- to 22/-, brill 11/- to 14/-; plaice 8/- to 13/-, halibut 14/- to 20/-; lemon soles 11/- to 17/-, whitches 9/- to 12/-, cod 4/- to 7/-, whiting 3/- to 5/-, hake 8/- to 11/-, skate 4/- to 6/-, haddocks 4/- to 7/- per stone.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—A moderate business in British refined at late decline. No further change in English-grown granulated; fair trade doing. Imported descriptions quiet, unaltered. Indian market dull. White terminal steady: March sold 14/0½, May 14/8½, Aug. 15/4½ to 15/3½, Dec. 15/4½. COCOA—Accra F.F. March-May 41/- f.o.b. RICE firm on the part of shippers, but quiet on European account. Eastern demand still active. SPICE—Pepper quiet; black Singapore f.a.q. March-May sold 11½d. to 1/-; Lampong do. March-May quoted 11½d., May-July 10d., Aug.-Oct. 8½d.; Muntok March-May L.S. buyers 1/4½. Cloves—Jan.-March sold 9½d. JUTE—Market rather unsettled; firsts March-April and April-May sold £55 10/- to £55 15/- to £55 5/-. HEMP steady; J March-May buyers £45 15/-, and L sold £37 15/-. COPRA—Market fully steady. PALM KERNELS—Feb.-April quoted £19 17/6.

RUBBER still unsettled. Fair business in force. Plantation standard spot and Feb. sold 2/5½ to 2/6½ and 2/5½, April-June 2/6 2/5½ 2/6½ and 2/5, July-Sept. 2/4½ 2/4 2/4½ and 2/4, Oct.-Dec. 2/3½ 2/3¾ and 2/3½ per lb. TEA—Pekoe sold 1/5½ to 1/7, broken Pekoe 1/4½ to 2/-, Pekoe Souchong 1/5 to 1/6½, orange Pekoe 1/6½ to 2/-, and broken orange 1/4½ to 1/11½ in bond. OILS—Linseed quiet; spot quoted 32/-, March-April 30/-, May-Aug. sold 30/1½, Sept.-Dec. 30/6. Rape, Cotton, Castor and Coconut unaltered. Turpentine firmer; American spot quoted 64/3, March-April 63/9, May-June 64/-, and July-Dec. 61/6, after 60/5 paid, per cwt. Rosin quiet, unchanged. Petroleum steady; American standard white 1/-. OILSEEDS—Linseed quiet, but fully steady; Calcutta to London Feb.-March sellers £17 5/-, new crop April-May £17 1/3; Plate to Hull afloat, also Feb.-March to April-May, sold £15. Rapeseed firm; Toria to Continent Feb.-March sellers £20 7/6, March-April £20 5/-, real bold Ferozepore April-May £19 10/-, brown Cawnpore Feb.-March £19 5/-. Cottonseed quietly steady; Egyptian black March quoted £9 8/9, white do. £8 10/-, Bombay Feb.-March £7 15/-. Castor fully steady; Bombay Feb.-March sellers £17 16/-, March-April £17 7/6. Ground Nuts steady; Coromandel machined Feb.-March and March-April sellers £19 18/9, and Chinese f.a.q. afloat £19 17/6 to £20 per ton.

LIVERPOOL WHITE SUGAR TERMINAL.—The following are yesterday's "Official Call" prices of the United Sugar Terminal Market Association, Liverpool Branch:—Morning, February 14/- value, March 14/- buyers, May 14/9 value, August 15/4½ value, September 15/6½ sellers, 15/4½ buyers; afternoon, February 14/- buyers, March 14/2½ sellers, 14/- buyers; May 14/8½ value, August 15/4½ value, September 15/6½ sellers, 15/3½ buyers. Tate and Lyle's (Ltd.) quotations:—Crystals, No. 1 30/6, small No. 1 30/-, No. 2 28/9, bright 28/7½; granulated, standard 28/6, H.T.S. 28/7½, course 28/10½, fine 28/10½, ex refinery, Liverpool, less 1½ p.c. discount. Cubes, ex refinery in London—First quality 31/9, H.T.S. 31/6, afternoon tea 31/-, less 1½ p.c. discount.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—There is a steadier tone in the market yesterday. Business however, is dull rather slow, and prices are irregular.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.—American futures advanced at first, but reacted later in the morning on hedge selling, improved in the afternoon with favourable American cables, and market closed steady. Spot sales, 7,000 bales (sales for export included in above, 200 bales). American futures—Tendency steady; February 10.07d., March 10.08d., April 10.00d., May 10.01d., June 9.94d., July 9.90d., August 9.80d., September 9.65d., October 9.57d., November 9.48d., December 9.48d., January 9.48d., February 9.46d. Egyptian futures (basis f.g.f. Sakels)—Tendency barely steady; March 17.08d., May 16.73d., July 16.55d., October 16.55d., November 16.55d.

BRADFORD WOOL.—Merino tops are fairly well maintained at late rates, and, though business is of hand-to-mouth character, topmakers are resisting low offers and are strengthened by better tone in primary markets. 64's are selling around 47d.; cross-breds are in buyers' favour, especially lower prepared qualities. Botany yarns steady; cross-bred yarns barely maintained.

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW.—On Produce Exchange—Firm tone reported, both hay and straw supplies being by no means plentiful. General quotations—Lincolnshire ryegrass and clover £6 5/- to £6 10/-, Cheshire £5 15/-, meadow hay £5 7/6 to £5 12/6; oat straw 85/-, wheat straw 80/- per ton, all delivered Manchester.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

RISE IN TIN.

TIN ruled firmer and sellers more reserved in face of higher Eastern advices, both cash and forward registering a net gain of 35/- per ton compared with the closing rates of Wednesday, while a fair business transpired: standard cash quoted £289 15/- to £290, three months £282 5/- to £282 10/-; settlement price £290. 900 tons sold: cash at £289 10/- to £289 15/-, three months £282 10/-, £281 15/- and £282 10/-. English ingots quoted £288 to £289. COPPER in fairly good demand, but with sellers well in evidence values settled down 10/- lower both cash and forward. Standard cash quoted £59 5/- to £59 7/6, three months £60 5/- to £60 7/6; settlement price £59 5/-. 1,300 tons sold: cash at £59 10/-, £59 5/- and £59 6/3; three months £60 7/6, £60 3/9 and £60 5/-; electros quoted £66 10/- to £67. LEAD easier, while in moderate support. 900 tons sold: good soft foreign pig March at £33 16/3, May £34 to £33 16/3; settlement price £33 15/-. English quoted £35. SPELTER easier, while a fair business resulted. 900 tons sold; Feb. at £35 10/- to £35 3/9, March £35 ... April £35 7/6 ... £35 7/6 to £35 5/-, June £35 2/6; settlement price £35 5/- per ton. TINPLATES, QUICKSILVER, also ANTIMONY, unaltered.

GLASGOW IRON AND STEEL.—General conditions remain unchanged, and, so far, it has not been found possible in the steel trade to put further plant in operation. Makers of light sheets, however, still find a steady market, but, while their expectations of a better home demand are not fully realised, the foreign trade keeps good; heavy tubes ... a little better ...

CHESS.

ARMSTRONG CUP.

University College further exemplified its inconsistency of form by putting up an excellent fight against one of the two leading clubs in the Armstrong competition. The secretary of the Collegians, Mr. Younglao, was pitted against the former champion of Ireland, Mr. Baker, and for two hours maintained a very even struggle. Towards the close of play the veteran's skill and experience turned the scale decisively.

One game remained unfinished, and Messrs. Fung and M'Cluskey will renew the struggle next Wednesday. There is no evident advantage on either side. For the College, Mr. Barry won against the Sackville captain, in a pawn ending, with one rook aside. Mr. O'Reilly really outplayed Mr. Clarke.

The players and scores were:—

University College.		Sackville.	
L. P. Younglao	0	P. Baker	1
R. Dillon	0	C. J. Barry	1
H. Barry	1	P. W. Whelan	0
B. Senior	0	H. N. Bowesman	1
A. Fung	—	N. M'Cluskey	—
A. Fanning	0	G. H. Jacobs	1
D. Mulhall	0	C. T. Keatinge	1
C. A. O'Reilly	1	B. Clarke	0
Present total	2	Present total	5

LEINSTER CHAMPIONSHIP.

The following scores have been returned up to date in the Championship of Leinster tourney, in which eight players compete:—Mr. M'Cluskey beat Mr. Gerrard, former Champion of Leinster; Mr. Varian drew with Mr. Baker; Mr. Reynolds won from Mr. M'Cluskey.

IRISH CORRESPONDENCE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The seventh annual tournament for the Irish Chess Correspondence Championship and Silver Queen Trophy, which commenced in May last with twenty-three entries, is drawing to a close. Those who made the highest scores in it so far are T. Lindsay Moodie and J. Watson, each of Belfast, and each with 7½ out of 8 games played. There are two sections—A and B. The first-named is in Section A, and the second is in Section B. It is likely that each will take first place in his section, and then play off for this year's Correspondence Championship.

Other scores made are:—

	Played.	Won.	To play.
W. J. Allen, Belfast	10	8	0
Rev. Chancellor Armstrong, M.A., Finglas	8	6	2
Victor Coates, B.A., Cambridge	10	7	1
B. Allen, M.A., Belfast	9	7	2
C. Mac Fhionnlaoich, Dublin	6	5	4
Cu Uladh, Dublin	6	5	4
David Weir, Enniskillen	10	4½	0
V. C. Doorley, Tullamore	10	4½	1
H. A. O'Callaghan, Belfast	8	3½	2
Sean French, Cork	8	3½	2
M. Dalton, Newport	6	3½	5
J. Somers, Dublin	4	3	7
Raphael Jackson, Dublin	7	2	3
J. Good, T.C., Cork	6	2	5
R. Evans, F.B.O.A., Limerick	6	1½	5
W. Devey, Dublin	10	1½	1
E. Gormley, Strabane	3	1½	8
T. E. Wethers, Lisburn	3	1	8
W. J. Pilsworth, Thomastown	5	1	6

Previous winners of the Correspondence Championship are:—1908-9—T. Toomey, Cork; 1911—T. King-Parks, Dublin; 1912-13—J. S. Armstrong, Kilrush; 1914—Rev. Chancellor Armstrong, M.A.; 1915-16-17—W. H. Brooke, Dublin; 1918—Rev. Chancellor Armstrong, M.A.; 1919—T. Coleman, Cork; 1920—Rev. Chancellor Armstrong, M.A.; 1921-22—A. S. Roper, Belfast; 1923—T. E. Wethers, Lisburn; 1924—Rev. Chancellor Armstrong, M.A. The present tournament is likely to end by the 1st May next, when entries will be received for the twelfth. Conductor—T. B. Rowland, Hon. Secretary, Irish Chess Association.

ASSOCIATION.

SCOTLAND v. IRELAND.

The Irish Football Association announced yesterday a change in the side to oppose Scotland at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, on Saturday, February 27th. Irvine, of Everton, will be unable to turn out, his place at inside right being taken by Steele, of Charlton Athletic.

CROSS-CHANNEL RESULTS.

	Goals.		Goals
Cambridge University	2	Sthn. Amateur League	2
Oxford University	5	Oxford City	4

CURLING.

ENGLAND BEATEN BY SCOTLAND.

Despite a fine recovery, England were beaten by Scotland in the two days' match, which concluded at Manchester yesterday, by sixteen shots. As a result of the two rinks decided on Wednesday, Scotland led by forty-four shots, but in the first rink yesterday the English side won back three shots. In the fourth and last rink the Englishmen scored 101 shots against the Scottish 76, thus failing by 16 shots to overhaul their opponents.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—S.W. winds, light breeze; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrivals—Durazzo, of Hamburg (485 tons), from Hamburg via Cork, with general cargo; discharging at Transit Shed, Custom House quay. General Leman, of Antwerp (518 tons), from Antwerp via Cork, with general cargo; discharging at Shelter Sheds, Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals—Kenmare, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Maple, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Olive, from Heysham, with passengers and goods; Lady Cloe, from London, with passengers and goods; Yarrow, from Silloth, with passengers and goods; Slieve Donard, Slieve Gallion, from Holyhead, with goods; Cato, from Bristol, with goods; Saidie R., from New Ross, with malt; Ophir, Optic, Gertie, Aquilla, Pine, Jessie Summerfield, from Garston, with coals; Point of Ayr from Point of Aire, with coals; Glenageary, from Partington, with coals; Dunvegan, from Liverpool, with coals; Downshire, from Glasgow, with coals; Cumeo, from Irvine, with coals; Nugget, Kingstown, from Newport, with coals; Eleth, from Garston, light; Slieve Bawn, from Holyhead, light; Fag-an-Bealach, from Dun Laoghaire, light.

Coastwise Departures—Kenmare, for Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Yarrow, for Silloth, with passengers and goods; Maple, for Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Olive, for Heysham, with passengers and goods; Slieve Donard, Slieve Gallion, for Holyhead, with goods; Lady Emerald, for London, with goods; Lady Kildare, for Liverpool, with goods; Lady Wicklow, for Manchester, with goods; Lady Brussels, for Preston, with goods; Slieve Bawn, for Holyhead, with live stock; Clareisland, for Liverpool, with porter; Camborne, for Britonferry, with scrap iron; Aspen, for Waterford, with manure; Queenie, for Burryport, light; Princetown, for Newport, light; Pandora, for Bangor, light; Braemore, for Birkenhead, light; Talacre, for Point of Aire, light; Mayflower, for Piel, light; Isabeletta, for Liverpool, light.

RUGBY.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY (20) v. GARRYOWEN (8).

The weather at Limerick was cold and wet yesterday when Trinity College kept an engagement with Garryowen at the Markets Field. The attendance was large, the visit of the students being looked forward to with interest, as they had not been seen in Limerick for some years. The ground was on the soft side, consequent on the recent heavy rains, and militated against what would otherwise have been a fast game. Mr. J. Gubbins refereed.

Following the start the visitors attacked, and before many minutes had elapsed Cherry, on the wing, after a pretty movement, scored a try, which was converted. Garryowen rallied, but were unable to withstand the onslaught of the opposing backs. Sugden, from a scrum, gave Keane the dummy, and, after a fine run, scored a try, which was improved on. A moment later Cherry, from a difficult transfer, dodged the opposition, and with his second try converted he gave his side a fifteen-point lead. Garryowen next got away, but were held up at the centre, and before the interval whistle Trinity again scored a try, Sugden making the extra points.

On changing ends the Trinity attack eased somewhat, and good tackling by the Trinity backs kept the opposing forwards out. From a scrum at the visitors' quarter-way the home forwards broke up quickly, and in a loose rush McNamara gathered and scored a try, Hegarty converting. Hard play ensued, and although Trinity pressed they were unable to pierce the defence. Ten minutes before the close Price received and grounded the ball for a try, which was not improved on. Result:—

Dublin University—4 goals (20 points).

Garryowen—1 goal 1 try (8 points).

HOSPITALS' CUP.

ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL (20) v. DENTAL HOSPITAL (0).

The Hospitals' Cup tie at Clonskea yesterday between Vincent's and Dental ended in an easy win for the former by 1 goal and 5 tries to nil. The score in no way exaggerates the superiority of Vincent's, who kept up a constant pressure and were only prevented by a staunch and resolute defence from running up a much larger score. The Vincent's forwards, amongst whom Kavanagh, Culhane, and Liddy were always to the fore, gave a fine display and entirely outplayed the opposition pack. The backs showed a lack of cohesion, but Bermingham worked the scrum smartly, and showed considerable enterprise, while Morris, in the second line, was responsible for some good individual efforts. For the losers Callanan, at out-half, made valiant efforts to open up the game, but received poor support, though Guise.Brown, Stafford, Mather, and Titherington worked hard.

Vincent's attacked from the start, and good passing by the backs ended in Morris scoring a try, which went unconverted. A forward rush soon after brought play to the Dental line, and Kavanagh burst over, but once more the kick at goal was wide. Just before half-time Vincent's forwards rushed down again, Liddy picked up and cross-kicked for Donoghue to gather and score between the posts, Eardley adding the extra points.

In the second period Vincent's again had all the best of play, and unconverted tries were added by Morris, Culhane, and McDonnell. Result:—

St. Vincent's Hospital—1 goal and 5 tries (20 points).

Dental Hospital—Nil.

Teams:—

St. Vincent's.—J. McGilligan; F. Eardley; M. Potter, B. O'Donoghue, T. Morris, J. Grant; C. Bermingham, F. McDonnell; J. Liddy, A. Culhane, M. Sherry, D. Kavanagh, J. Cronin, T. McNally, J. McAndrews.

Dental.—P. A. Price; E. N. Guise-Brown; C. B. McGlade, H. B. Whelan, W. Brady, G. Lochtie; W. McLarnon, T. Callanan; C. Shepherd, D. Connolly, T. Stafford, R. McSherry, L. McCluskey, R. W. Mather, G. Titherington.

LEINSTER JUNIOR SCHOOLS CUP—FIRST ROUND.

CASTLENOCK COLLEGE (55) v. DROGHEDA G.S. (0).

Castleknock College proved much too strong for Drogheda Grammar School in their first round match of the Leinster Junior Schools' Cup yesterday at Donnybrook, and gained an overwhelming victory by 5 goals and 10 tries (55 points) to nil. The Castleknock boys were much the bigger and stronger lot, and in every phase of the play were superior to the very light team representing the Grammar School. In the first half Castleknock were on the attack all the time and scored no less than nine times, the try-getters being Casey (4), N. Maher (2), S. Maher, O'Brien and Marsland. N. Maher converted three of the scores, with the result that at the interval Castleknock led by the big score of 33 points.

The second half was nearly as one-sided, and despite good efforts by Parke, O'Farrell and Jackson, the Drogheda lads were hemmed in inside their twenty-five. During this half N. Maher (2), S. Maher (2), Marsland and Casey were the scorers for the winners, and N. Maher added the extra points on two occasions. The outstanding players were N. Maher, Marsland, Casey and O'Brien, in the back division, and Ryan, Brady and Reilly amongst the forwards. On the Drogheda side, Parke, Streath, O'Farrell, Jackson, and Johnston strove hardest. Result:—

Castleknock College—5 goals and 10 tries (55 points).

Drogheda Grammar School—Nil.

The teams were:—

Castleknock—R. Ryan; D. Eversden, N. Maher, J. Marsland, S. Maher; J. Casey, R. O'Brien; C. Ryan, E. Brady, E. Reilly, K. Mahony, W. Murphy, E. Meagher, R. Price, J. Riordan.

Drogheda G.S.—E. Ellin; E. Parke, F. Streath, D. Hilliard, S. Keegan; McClane, O'Farrell; Johnson, Price, H. Jackson, McKenzie, Pike, Langley, Cummins, Murdock.

Referee—Mr. J. S. Donnelly.

MORGAN'S SCHOOL v. ST. COLUMBA'S COLLEGE.

St. Columba's College were unable to fill their Junior Cup fixture with Morgan's School yesterday, and the latter get a walk over into the second round, in which they will meet Castleknock College.

COLERAINE ACADEMICAL INSTITUTION v. METHODIST COLLEGE, BELFAST.—A hard-fought game in the Ulster Schools' Cup competition yesterday resulted in Coleraine Academical Institution beating Methodist College, Belfast, by two goals (10 points) to nil. Patrick scored the tries and Baxter converted.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

University College (Cork) v. Dublin University, Mardyke, Cork.

Belvedere v. High School (Junior Schools' Cup), Donnybrook, 3.30.

TO-MORROW'S SENIOR FIXTURES.

Cork Constitution v. Dublin University, Cork. Lansdowne v. Old Wesley, Lansdowne road. Wanderers v. Blackrock College, Williamstown. Bective Rangers v. Clontarf, Donnybrook. Palmerston v. Monkstown, Clonskeagh.

MONMOUTHSHIRE (8) v. DEVON (8).

As the outcome of a capital struggle at Newport each side scored a goal and a try in this match, which, consequently, was left drawn. Several changes were made in the Devon team. The Monmouthshire forwards exercised a superiority in scrummaging, and their backs often had the ball, but did not finish their attacks well. Still, D. Jones, of Newport, broke away, and sent Herrera, of Cross Keys, in with a try, from which Everson placed a goal. The Devon tackling proved extremely good. The visitors reduced the margin against them before the interval, Maddocks getting a try. Later on Devon used their feet splendidly on the heavy ground, and once Williams, of Barnstaple, got right away, but was overtaken by Stock. In a forward rush, however, Williams scored and Sims converted. Just before the end Andrews obtained a splendid try for Monmouthshire.

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY TEAM COMING.

SYDNEY, February 18.

The New South Wales Rugby Union is cabling the English authorities to the effect that it is willing to send a team to tour England during the season 1927-1928.

"FESTOONED WITH SAXONS."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I think you are in error in attributing to Dr. John Myles, still happily in the land of the living, the honour of having been the hero of the famous incident in 1875. Big Jack Myles, who stood about 6ft. 7in., only played for Ireland once—in 1875—and, as Ireland did not score at all in that initial match, it could not possibly be he who won the fame of the famous phrase.

Ireland's first try against England did not come till 1880, when Cuppaidge scored Ireland's first try. In my article on our early games with England, in last Friday's *Irish Times*, I attributed the disputed honour to W. W. Pike, of Kingstown, in 1882, when we drew with England on the score of two tries each. I based my statement on an article which appeared in a Dublin evening paper in 1908, signed "Old Crock," which I attribute to Dr. Thompson, of Cork County and Wanderers, who played for Ireland about 1877. He gave the credit for the phrase to "Jacques" McCarthy.

I have looked up some old newspaper files, and find that, though Pike played for Ireland against England in 1882, he did not score, the two Irish tries having been obtained by Stokes and Lemore. Many noted players have been credited with the honour, including E. J. Walsh (the present Accountant-General) and Mick Ryan of Rockwell. I trust the some of the Old Brigade will come forward and help to clear up the mystery; for the famous phrase has become immortalised in Rugby history, and honour should be given where honour is due.

—Yours, etc., "R.T.C.B."

Dublin, February 18th, 1926.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE LENGLEN-WILLS MATCH.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.)

CANNES, Thursday.

Mdlle. Suzanne Lenglen, who is still suffering slightly from the strain of her two strenuous matches on Tuesday, will remain here until she has quite recovered. Her doughty opponent, Miss Helen Wills, is taking part in the Beaulieu tournament. In an interview, Mr. G. M. Simond, one of the referees at the Carlton tournament, said that he had not expected the American champion to put up such a good fight against Mdlle. Lenglen. In his opinion, the nervousness of Suzanne was one of the principal causes of her somewhat inconsistent play. Miss Wills, he added, played perfectly, and will become a great champion. Mr. Albert Burke, the professional champion, who is an Irishman, expressed the opinion that Mdlle. Lenglen, in her best form, would beat Miss Wills with less difficulty.

The French liner Paris is due to arrive at Plymouth about 4 p.m. to-day, bringing over 100 passengers and a heavy mail.

YESTERDAY'S LAW REPORTS.

INQUISITORIAL AND VEXATIOUS.

JUDGE AND MOTION FOR PARTICULARS.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE HANNA.)

The case of the Minister for Finance v. Mrs. Margaret McGarry was listed on notice, and came before the Court on a question of costs.

Mr. Bewley (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), who appeared for the plaintiff, said that the action was for £2,500, payable in respect of money lent to the defendant by the Dail Eireann trustees, and to which the Minister was entitled under the Dail Eireann Loans and Funds Act, 1924. A defence and counter-claim were put in, and the most important defence was that the money was received by the defendant to meet certain payments and expenses which she was requested to incur on behalf of certain Ministers and their associates. Mr. Devine (Messrs. Horan and Devine, solicitors) had put in an affidavit, in which he said that until he received notice of motion he was under the impression that the action was not going on. Particulars required had now been delivered. An affidavit of discovery was made, said counsel, but apparently the lady did not keep an account of the accommodation supplied and the plaintiff was not advanced in any way by that affidavit. He suggested that the plaintiff was entitled to the particulars asked for, and was entitled to his costs.

Mr. Geoghegan, K.C., with whom was Mr. Casey, for Mr. Sheehy (instructed by Messrs. Horan and Devine), appeared for the defendant. He referred to the affidavit of Mr. Devine and said that after the letter stating that negotiations were proceeding, like a bolt from the blue, came this notice for particulars. There was no affidavit from Mr. Corrigan (State Solicitor) in reply to Mr. Devine's affidavit. He submitted, first of all, that the defendant was not bound to submit, before the trial, to cross-examination. The notice was not a notice for particulars, as it is understood, but a cross-examination of Mrs. McGarry on her defence, and he urged upon his Lordship that he was not bound to answer the multitude of questions put to defendant. He submitted, on the merits of the case, that he had not shown the least desire to keep back any facts, and that as soon as he became aware that this notice was insisted on, he did answer it, and if there never was a compromise, he urged, upon the merits, that the plaintiff at least should not get the costs of this application. His friend should not merely say that he was entitled to the particulars, but take up the notice, paragraph by paragraph, to show that he was entitled to them.

Mr. Justice Hanna said that there were 24 items of demand for particulars and he did not complain that Mr. Bewley had not gone through them all. Referring to the negotiations that were alleged, between the defendant and the members of the Executive Council, he said that it might be that persons who were interested in this matter were endeavouring to arrive at an amicable settlement, which, so far as he could judge, would have been eminently desirable in the interests of everybody concerned. It was obvious that immediately the notice of motion, which now came before him, was served, Mr. Devine gave at once full answers to every demand that was made upon him, so far as his Lordship could judge. He gave answers which could not have been enforced by law, and he (his Lordship) could only regard the notice as being rather inquisitorial, to ask this lady, after the expiration of several years, and regarding things that occurred as far back as May, 1921, to give particulars of the dinners, and lodgings, and board, and the cooking of food that was given to persons now occupying high posts; to persons, some alive, and some, unfortunately, dead, and their supporters. This, in his opinion, was a vexatious and inquisitorial claim for particulars, and was not a procedure that was supposed to be enforced. Under the circumstances, he thought that it would be very inequitable to ask Mrs. McGarry to pay the costs, and he thought that the just order would be that each party should abide their costs or this application.

EEL TANKS ON THE SHANNON.

JUDGMENT IN FISHERY CASE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH.)

Judgment was delivered in favour of the defendant in the case of Whipp v. Mackey, an action brought by Mr. Samuel Whipp, of Fort Henry, Killaloe, Co. Clare, against Mr. Anthony Mackey, of the Fisheries, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick, for an injunction, restraining the defendant, his servants and agents from mooring, anchoring or continuing to moor or place eel tanks or other obstructions at or near Friar's Island, in the River Shannon, in the townland of Fort Henry, townland of Garrynatmeel, Co. Tipperary; and also a mandatory injunction ordering him to forthwith remove the eel tanks, posts and other obstructions which the defendant had there erected.

It appeared that the plaintiff, the successor in title to Mr. Frederick Thomas Clifford Henry, and the defendant had entered into an agreement whereby the defendant obtained liberty from the plaintiff to moor or anchor three timber eel tanks and a cabin tank to Friar's Island, in the place mentioned, for the purposes of the fishery, for a term of fifteen years, from 25th March, 1919, at the yearly rent of £12 10s., payable half-yearly.

It was a term of the agreement, it was stated, that if the defendant committed any breach of the agreement the plaintiff should be at liberty to terminate the licence thus created by serving a week's notice in writing; and that within a week afterwards the defendant, or tenant, should remove the tanks and posts, making good all injury to the soil. It was alleged that the defendant had committed a breach of the agreement by neglecting and refusing to pay the gale of rent falling due on 26th March, 1921, or the other subsequent gales due. There were three years' arrears of rent due amounting to £37 10s., when the notice was served, dated 21st December, 1923.

The defendant denied that he neglected, or refused, to pay the rent, or that there was any breach of the agreement, or that he was served with any notice. He stated that he tendered all the rent due before the action was brought, and denied that the effect of the service of any such notice was a determination of the licence. He further said that the plaintiff had waived any right that he might have to determine the licence by demanding and receiving rent after the service of the notice. He also said that he had entered into the agreement, because it was necessary for the purposes of a valuable fishery in the River Shannon, which he held as tenant from the Board of Works of the Irish Free State at a rent of £1,800 per annum.

Mr. Justice Meredith held on the evidence that there was no forfeiture of the licence. The agreement was not very well drawn, and the terms to be observed by the tenant were not expressed in a form well adapted to the continuance of the forfeiture clause. The agreement was not framed in such a way, he pointed out, as to make a forfeiture conditional on the agreement not being observed in respect of the payment of rent. There was no provision in the agreement as to the payment of rent on a day specified.

Under the circumstances, his Lordship said that he must hold that the clause could not refer to the failure to pay the rent on a day specified in the reservation with regard to how the rent was to be paid, and that accordingly a forfeiture could not be inferred. It was not necessary, therefore, to consider the question as to the other relief claimed with respect to damages, and he must dismiss the action, with costs.

Mr. Phelps, K.C., and Mr. Binchy (instructed by Messrs. Sellors and Co.) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Jellett, K.C., and Mr. Hamilton (instructed by Messrs. James O'Brien and Co.) for the defendant.

£5,500 FOR TIPPERARY LANDS.

SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE ACTION

A settlement was announced in the case of Lloyd v. Bourke, an action brought by the plaintiff against the defendant for specific performance of a contract, dated 3rd October, 1924, for the purchase for £5,500 of certain lands, containing about 170 acres, situated at Killough, Co. Tipperary.

The defendant, it appeared, had paid £1,000 deposit, but had not gone into possession of the lands and completed the purchase, because he did not get immediate possession of the residence on the lands, known as Red House.

According to the terms of the "consent" to settlement, the defendant, it was stated, agreed within two months to pay the balance of £4,500 and £100 costs, he to get possession of the residence on payment of these sums. In default of payment of the money, the defendant agreed to a decree for specific performance being given against him.

The consent was subsequently handed in, and made a rule of Court.

Mr. Shannon, K.C., and Mr. Bewley (instructed by Mr A. H. Morgan) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Jellett, K.C., and Mr. Poole (instructed by Messrs. Menton and Co.) for the defendant.

SALE OF DUBLIN PREMISES.

OWNER AN INFANT.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

In the matter of the Settled Land Act and Macdougald,

Mr. Newett (instructed by Messrs. Hoey and Denning), on behalf of Hugh Wanlas Macdougald, an infant, by Cecil John Macdougald, of 24 St. Andrew street, Dublin, his father, applied for an order that the powers of sale of the leasehold hereditaments, 90 Harcourt street, Dublin, might be exercised by Robert Hector Macdougald on behalf of the infant during his minority; and that the British Legal and United Provident Assurance Company, Ltd., the intended purchasers, might be at liberty to pay into court to the credit of the matter, and separate credit of the proceeds of the sale, the sum of £350, the purchase money of the premises; and for directions for the investment of the money and payment of dividends.

It appeared that the premises came into the possession of Sir Lambert Ormsby by deed of assignment, and an arrangement was entered into between his executors and Cecil John Macdougald, the father of the infant, whereby Mr. Macdougald took an assignment of the premises, and on the 22nd May, 1925, he executed a declaration of trust. Arrangements had been made with the occupiers of the premises, the intended purchasers, for the sale of the premises, but, as the owner was an infant who could not enter into a contract for sale, it was necessary that the Court should appoint some person to enter into the contract on his behalf.

Mr. Justice Johnston granted the application, and directed that the purchase money should be lodged in court. He allowed the applicant his costs.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, February 19.

CUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARACH (the Supreme Court of Justice).—The following cases will appear in the list on Monday next, February 22nd, for hearing:—In re Companies' Consolidation Act, 1908, and the City of Dublin Steam Packet Co.; Ryan v. Ryan. For Tuesday, 23rd February—O'Donoghue v. Roche.

AN PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice).—Before the Chief Justice. In the Supreme Court, at 11.30 o'clock. In Lunacy. Motions—52nd Section, Keohane; 15th Section, Sutton. Petition—52nd Section, Longfield, Kelly and Armstrong. At Chambers—Woolougham, decd., O'Connell v. Attorney-General (for judgment); Dolphin, a minor; Flannery, minors. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Consider biddings, G.S. Before the Examiner, at 11.30 o'clock—Vch. ac., G.S.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (the High Court of Justice).—In Court 1. For Hearing. Action—Barry v. Ryan. In Court 2. For Wednesday, 24th February. Action—Rushbrook v. O'Sullivan. In Court 3, at 11 o'clock—Experts Motions. Summonses—Egan v. Gough; N. Banking Co. v. O'Callaghan. Attendance Order—Breen v. Carroll. Garnishee Order—O'Loughlin v. O'Brien. On Notice—Green v. Gogarty; Jackson and anor. v. Julian; M'Loughlin v. Sturdy; O'Donnell v. Rodden and anor.; Bowser v. Jackson; Staines v. Scher; Halpin v. Brady; O'Donnell v. Morris; Ellis v. Hederman; M'Menamin v. Harvey and anor.; Mansfield v. Moran. At 12 noon—The King at the prosecution of Robert Lyon Moore v. the District Justice of the Ballyshannon district; M'Garry v. M'Lean.

BANKRUPTCY.—In Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock—Arrangements—S. G. Rutherford; Cox and Co.; Lynch and Deering; O'Meara, Cussen and Kieran; James O'Connor and Co.; W. J. M. Coulter; Thompson and Edwards; Collins and Son; Collins and Son; Scallan and Co.; Smyth and Son; J. H. Callan and Son; J. J. M'Donald; Thompson and Edwards; T. J. Graham; Collins and Son; O'Meara, Cussen and Kieran; Casey, Clay and Collins; J. M. M'Donnell and Co.; J. J. Early; W. V. Seddall; C. R. Robinson; W. J. M. Coulter; Little and Cullen; S. G. Rutherford; O'Meara, Cussen and Kieran; Fitzsimons and Speidel. 1st meeting comp., W. J. M. Coulter; Brennan, 1st public sitting, J. J. Early; Reamsbottom, do., Little and Cullen; Murray, do., Smyth and Son; do., exam. witnesses, do.; Byrne, 1st public sitting, Fullerton and Doyle; do., 2nd meetg. comp., do.; Adams, final exam., Little and Cullen; Smith, motion, W. J. Fegan and Co.; Caffrey, do., Brown and M'Cann; Minnis, do., P. M. Seales; Walls, do., R. H. Commins; Halley, do., P. C. Furlong; Sinnott, do., Horan and Devine; appln. to dismiss drs. sums., S. G. Rutherford; arrangt., motion, F. Croskerry and Son; arrangt., exam. witnesses, Collins and Son; Keane, confirm sale, O'Meara, Cussen and Kieran; arrangt., ac. comp., Porter, Morris and Co.; do., do., P. M. Seales; do., do., J. H. Callan and Son; do., do., R. H. Commins; M'Keever, audit and divd., Collins and Son; Campbell, do., do.; Rowe, audit mortgee. ac., Orpen and Sweeney; Egan, to be mentioned, Scallan and Co.

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL.—In Court No. 6, at 11 o'clock. Probate. Exparte—In the goods of Stuart Glover, decd.; do., James Coyle, do.; do., Frances L. J. Hughes, supposed decd.; Daniel Cole, decd.; Henry G. Cooper, do. Summons—Becker v. Becker and anor. On Notice—In the goods of Peter Martin, decd.; O'Neill and anor. v. O'Neill and ors.; Spratt and anor. v. Foott and ors. Matrimonial. Summons—Talty v. Talty.

TRIALS BY JURY.—In Court No 6 (at conclusion of the Probate list). Motion on Notice—Carroll v. O'Brien and ors. The City Special Jurors will be required to attend on Monday next, February 22nd. The City Common Jurors need not attend until Wednesday next, 24th February. For Monday, 22nd February. City Special—Kerrigan v. Bailey (personal injuries). Non-Juries—Fox v. the Minister of Defence (use and occupation); Fagan v. Daly and anor. (goods sold). For Tuesday, 23rd February. County Special—Carroll v. O'Brien and ors. (conspiracy, etc.), specially fixed. For Wednesday, 24th February. City Common—O'Shaughnessy v. the Irish-American Oil Co., Ltd., and anor. (personal injuries). Non-Juries—Steel v. Slocock (commission); Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Fitzgerald (money due).

Chambers No. 1 (Room 38), at 11 o'clock—Morrison v. Rogers, sign cert.; Ffrench v. Kelly, do.; Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Balfe, do.; Telford v. Mattimoe; Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Butler; same v. Barton; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Garland; Crowley v. Crowley. Moroney v. Madden; Crotty v. Crotty; Cos' Acts and Tubbercurry Co-op. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Thornton v. Moran.

Chambers No. 2 (Room 39), at 11 o'clock—Whitney v. Higgins, sign cert.; Usborne v. Limerick Market Trustees, do.; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. David; J. E. Dwen, decd., Wright v. Dwen; H. McGoldrick, decd., McGoldrick v. McGoldrick; Provincial Bank of Ireland, Ltd., v. McDermott.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11 o'clock—Lep Transport, Ltd., v. the All Sports House, J. Hawthorne; Bundoran U.D.C. to Rogers, P. K. Rogers; Michael Courtney, a bankrupt, J. J. Early. Master Denning, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—McCreevy to Rountree, J. Rountree; McGowan v. Connor, M. Staunton; Flannery and Co. to Gleeson, M. Gleeson and Son. Master Macnamara, at 11 o'clock—Dublin Corporation re Linnane, A. Clarke; Roscrea No. 2 R.D.C. to Dwyer, W. Dwyer; Roscrea No. 3 R.D.C. to Dwyer, W. Dwyer.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Harley, pr. dts. and vch., W. V. Seddall; arrangt., ac. comp., do.; do., pr. dts. and vch., do.; Dwyer, do., Thompson and Edwards; O'Brien, do., do.; Farmer, do., do.; arrangt., ac. comp., Collins and Son; Daly, pr. dts., Gerrard and Co.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.—In the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—Adjourned hearing in the matter of the Proposed New Classification of Merchandise as submitted by the Great Southern Railways Company.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice).—Before the Circuit Judge, at the Courthouse, Green street, at 11 o'clock. County Dublin Circuit Court. Criminal Cases—Con. Before the Assistant Circuit Judge, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—James Trusts, Ltd., v. Langan; Meredith v. Connell; McGrath v. Murphy; Moran v. Creig; Murphy v. Murphy; Mason v. Sadlier; Nunan v. Whelan; O'Neill v. Grace; O'Dwyer v. Sheridan; O'Neill v. Egan. Before the Assistant Circuit Judge. For Monday, 22nd February, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Massey v. Rochfort; Birmingham v. same; Hannon v. Fenlon; Graham v. Murphy; O'Dwyer v. Mangan, O'Brien v. Scanlon; Scanlon v. O'Brien (rent application); O'Connell v. O'Reilly; O'Reilly v. O'Connell; O'Donnell v. Mangan.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Stubbs, at 11 o'clock—Lord Carew (E.C. 7966). At 12 o'clock—T. J. Burrowes, discharge rulings and settle schedule. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—A. G. Coates, discharge rulings. At 1 o'clock—Sir C. Cuffe, settle schedule. Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Espine F. Batty, vch. Before Mr. Longfield, at 2.30 o'clock—Captain John P. De Montmorency, discharge rulings. Before Mr. Leet, at 3 o'clock—Clements Kieran, discharge rulings. Before Mr. Brett, at 11 o'clock—Mountiford Westropp, vch. At 3 o'clock—Henry M. Palmer, discharge rulings. Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock—Arthur Gethin Creagh and anor., vch.

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